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Hiring freeze, fee hikes, sheriff's budget cut: all part of county's plan

by Cheryll Rulley
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to make some tough decisions to reduce the county budget: offering an early retirement window for some, increasing county fees, and asking Sheriff David Lovely to trim more than \$50,000 from his department's budget.

County Controller Paul Compo said adjustments to the fiscal year 2002 budget, which began October 1, were necessary due to revenue reductions caused by Proposal A and the Headlee Amendment. Along with school districts, Compo said counties have been hit particularly hard by the legislation's redistribution of state tax dollars.

According to Compo, operating expenses such as maintenance, supplies, utilities, etc. have risen 4.4% over the last five years. Wages have increased an average of 20%, the court's budget has increased 23%, the cost of health insurance benefits has increased by 41%, and interest income is projected to decrease by \$50,000 due to the recent drop in rates.

Following the advice of the county's audit committee, the Commissioners are attempting to keep in reserve an amount equal to two percent of the county's budget - about \$90,000 -- as well as replace \$100,000 to the fund balance used to balance the 2001 budget due to revenue shortfalls and a rise in court costs.

When all is said and done, the county needs to cut expenses by \$240,000 at this time and there are still other factors the Commissioners may face in 2002 that could cause them to take another look at what cuts they may be forced to consider. They have voiced the following concerns at meetings over the last four months:

• The possible high cost of an upcoming murder trial, estimated at

- \$100,000 to try the case;
- An estimated \$200,000 in retroactive pay raises to sheriff's deputies once their union contract is settled. The contract has been in negotiations for about three years;
- Overdue court budget balance of \$76,000;
- An estimated loss in revenue of \$13,500 to \$15,800 due to budget cuts in Lansing;
- Child Care Fund deficit of \$50,000 (This fund helps pay for the expenses of foster care placement, counseling and other juvenile court expenses.)
- Estimated County revenue shortfalls of \$25,000.

To begin tightening its budgetary belt, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners have agreed to take the following action:

- 1) A retirement window from December 15, 2001 to February 15, 2002 is offered to AFSCME employees eligible to retire at a B-4 or highest level of benefits, dependent upon receipt of actuary describing affordable future costs.
- 2) A retirement window offered for the same period to the general employee group, non-union, for those who have completed 20 years of service. This offer, too, is dependent on receipt of a favorable actuary.
- 3) Asks the Sheriff to cut \$50,189 from his fiscal year 2002 budget.
- 4) Repeal of the County Zoning Ordinance, eliminating the need for zoning enforcement officer effective January 1, 2002 unless funding can be secured to fund enforcement.

- 5) Full time MSU Extension 4-H employee, funded in part by matching county funds, to be reduced to part time and contract reconsidered in six months; other full time position saved through funding restructuring.
- 6) No replacement of personnel by Department Heads without prior

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Rash of larcenies prompts warning from police chief

by Cheryll Rulley
Staff Writer

In the past week, the Grayling Police Department and the Crawford County Sheriff's Office have reported receiving 22 complaints of larceny, most of which were a result items stolen from unlocked motor vehicles.

In the city alone, 15 larceny complaints were answered the week of November 18-24, compared to the entire month of October when 20 larceny complaints were logged by the city. Grayling Police Chief Karl Schreiner said most of the crimes occurred on the south side of the city, but complaints have now begun to come in from the near north side as well.

"Most of the vehicles tampered with were unlocked," Schreiner said. "Whoever is doing this is taking a lot of cash. They are looking for cash, purses, and wallets."

When asked if this type of crime increases during the holidays, Schreiner said he can find no real

pattern of such larcenies over the years. "In November of last year, we handled only 12 larceny complaints," he said, "but in November 1999 we had 23, and in 1998 we had 35 for the month. There is just no way of knowing why the incidents increase or decrease." Schreiner added, over all, his department's complaint load has decreased slightly over the years including a decrease in stolen weapons during hunting season.

The chief reports his officers believe the larcenies are being committed by someone who lives here. His department has a few suspects in mind and are investigating.

"Don't leave valuable things in your vehicle, especially in plain sight and keep it locked," advised Schreiner. "Anyone can open an unlocked car door and shut it quietly... having to break into a car can make a lot of noise and draw attention. The same thing goes for your homes -- keep the doors and windows locked."

Community comes together for holiday meal



Photo by Linda Golnick

The 8th Annual Crawford AuSable Community Thanksgiving Dinner, sponsored by St. John Lutheran Church, served meals to 620 people within only two hours on November 22, 300 of which were home-delivered. Shown preparing meals for delivery, from left, are volunteers Sally Granger, Shirley Bendig and St. John's Pastor Wayne Knockel. Standing guard behind Granger is a volunteer kitchen hand known only as "Ping." The Dinner Committee has decided to increase the amount of turkeys to be roasted next year from 32 to 38 as volunteers ran four dinners short this year. For more, see Page 14A.

Lifesaving skills topic of school lesson



Photo courtesy of AuSable Primary School

Chris Loiselle of Mobile Medical Response visited Miss Pamela Williams' first grade classroom recently to teach the children an anti-choking technique called the "Heimlich Maneuver" during a class unit on nutrition and food safety. The children were instructed on the universal sign they should use if they are choking and he taught them how to perform the maneuver on themselves, others, and even on people larger than themselves.

Trial dates set in Piehl murder case

by Cheryll Rulley
Staff Writer

Five days have been set aside early next year in 46th Circuit Trial Court for the jury trial of Randee Craig Johnson, suspected of playing a role in the May 29 murder of Shane Piehl. Johnson has been charged with one count of open murder.

Twenty-years old at the time of his death, Piehl was found lying near his vehicle on a two-track road, just off I-75 and Four Mile Road, in Grayling Township. He had been shot twice in the head by a .22 caliber gun. Investigators say the homicide was drug-related.

In a statement at Johnson's November 5 arraignment, defense attorney David Fregolle, of Southfield, continued to declare the prosecution had provided no evidence putting Johnson at the scene of the crime and maintains his client's innocence. Prosecutor John Huss disagreed stating Johnson, by his own words, admitted to a friend at a party that he shot Piehl. The gun used to commit the killing has not been located.

Johnson is expected to go on trial February 11-15, 2002 in Crawford County. He remains in the Roscommon County Jail without bond. Sheriff David Lovely said the possibility of more arrests in the case has not been dismissed.

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Frederic revises trash service contract

► Township's roadside pick-up day to change from Tuesday to Monday

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Frederic Township extended its contract with Waste Management Inc. for roadside trash service on November 13 by signing an addendum to its existing contract. The addendum also includes a provision to change the township's weekly pick-up day from Tuesday to Monday at no additional cost to the township.

When the township board was negotiating the current contract with Waste Management in January 2001, the township wanted Monday pick-up due to Frederic's large number of part-time (weekend) residents. With Monday pick-up, residents could put their refuse out over the weekend and it wouldn't have to sit exposed to animals and elements for more than a day, board members said.

The bid from Waste Management, the only one received through the bid process in January, listed a price of \$10,500 per month for Monday pick-up and \$8,000 per month for pick-up on any other day of the week. With the township's trash

fund in a depleted state, the township board opted for the \$8,000 per month option and Tuesday pick-up. The township instituted an "impact fee" (special assessment) to pay for the roadside trash service.

In the recently-signed addendum to the contract with Waste Management, the company agreed to begin picking up Frederic Township's trash on Mondays starting January 7, 2002, and cover "all cost associated with the notification of the residents regarding the service day change."

Waste Management also agreed to guarantee the township's rate of \$8,000 per month until June 30, 2003.

The township agreed to an extension of the contract to June 30, 2005. After June 30, 2003, "(Frederic Township's) monthly charge for services may be increased due to changes in the Consumer Price Index, but by no more than 3% each year," the addendum states.

After June 30, 2005, "both parties may agree to extend the contract for an additional year/s, provided the service and price are acceptable to the parties," according to the addendum.

The township approved the addendum with a 5-0 vote at the board's November 13 regular meeting.

Township makes financial adjustments

► Frederic OKs a 1% administrative fee & reduction of trash 'impact fee'

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

In an effort to help balance two of the township's funds, the Frederic Township Board approved a small tax increase on November 13 and then lowered the amount to be collected from residents for roadside trash service through the township's "impact fee" (special assessment).

First, the township approved the addition of a 1% "administrative" fee onto the winter tax bills for township residents, at the recommendation of the township treasurer.

The new tax will increase the winter tax bill by 1% of the bill amount. For example, a winter tax bill of \$500 will now be \$505 with the administrative tax in place.

Frederic Township Treasurer Sandy Barber proposed the addition of the administrative tax in order to help offset township assessing costs and costs associated with tax billing, she said.

"It would help tremendously toward the general fund," said Barber. "With our finances the way they are, we have every right do this according to Michigan law. I know

it's not going to be popular."

The township's general fund was operating with a deficit of about \$5,000 at the end of last month, according to Barber's treasurer's report on November 13. Other funds, such as the fire fund and trash service fund, were operating in the black, Barber reported.

Barber estimates the 1% addition will bring in approximately \$6,000-\$8,000 per year.

The proposal passed by a slim 3-2 margin, with trustees Ernest Barber and Bill Johnson voting "no."

Moving on to another financial issue, Sandy Barber noted that the township's trash service fund was

going to be in excess of what's needed, and the impact fee charged to residents must be lowered, by law. Through a special assessment, the township can only collect a certain amount above what is needed to pay for the service the assessment was instituted for, she said.

After performing some calculations, Barber recommended lowering the impact fees from \$105 (for improved properties) and \$25 (for unimproved properties) to \$90 and \$15. The board approved the recommendation with a 5-0 vote.

The impact fee will have to be raised back up in future years as the cost for trash service increases, board members said.

Mercy Hospital Grayling Annual Employee Awards Banquet



20 Year Anniversary: (standing L-R) Herbert Stephan, Janice Bidwell, Candice Taylor (seated L-R) Laurelee Respecki, Lola Cohoe, Marlene Harris. Not Pictured: Virginia Bancroft, Julie McClure and Susan Koryciak.



Active Employees with 25 or more years of service: (standing L-R) Mark Cook, Stephen Olson, Rosemary Gallagher, Natalie Czuba, Jean McDonald (seated L-R) JoAnn McConnell, Walter Neilson, Gail Hunter, Maureen Hayes. Not Pictured: Hazel Crowell, Charles Langenderfer, Cheryl McCarter, Catherine Noack, Kathleen Parkinson, Audrey Parrott, Joy Rasmussen, Martha Reichelderfer, Julie Schoen, John Schornack, Neva Schornack, Ruth Sherbert, Linda Welch.



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15 Year Anniversary: (L-R) Judith Burnash, and Sister Jean Umlor, R.S.M. Not Pictured: Lisa Baerlocher, Nancy Meyer, Roxanne Strigow, and Carol Wolf



10 Year Anniversary: (standing L-R) Beverly McNamara, Judith Walker-Orzechowski, Dolores Lafferty, Louis Champeau, William Harwood, Garnette Stanley, Barbara Gielnicki, Robin Herrick, Christine Larson, (seated L-R) Dawn McDonald, Karen Gilbert, Karla Robinson, Beverly Adams, Sr. Marita MacNall, Kaedine Boone, Joyce Padgett, Kelly Watson. Not Pictured: Kathleen Dyer, Carol Gerometta, Madeline Hiller, Bethany Hubbard, Valerie Jones, Ferdinand Korneli, Timothy Murphy, Paula Nichols, Craig Norconk, Sonya Palmerton, Barbara Proulx, and Sandra Thatcher

Joint effort continues street name sign project

► Townships, 911, Road Commission create a new policy for sign funding

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Road Commission Board approved a policy for "placement of street name signs on public and private roadways" last week, establishing a uniform system of paying for street name sign placement and replacement.

The Road Commission worked with the townships of Crawford County and Central Dispatch (911) to create the final draft of the new sign policy.

According to the policy document, new signs being installed on private roads will be paid for by the property owner. "The Road

Commission shall be reimbursed for 100% of the cost to produce and install such signs. To help reduce the overall cost, street name signs for private roadways shall be installed once a month, usually during the last week of the month," the policy states. "The Board of Road Commissioners establishes the cost of installation of signs to be based upon actual costs incurred."

For public roadways within Crawford County, "A joint endeavor between the townships of Crawford County and the Crawford County Road Commission shall be established to fund the production and installation of public street name signs," the policy states.

Each township of Crawford County with the exception of Frederic Township shall contribute \$100 for every town and range within their respective townships per year to the Road Commission to maintain street name signs on pub-

lic roadways," the policy says.

The township contributions are expected to bring in about \$1,400 per year. The Road Commission agreed to contribute a "minimum of \$2,000 for the production and maintenance of street name signs per year."

(Originally, Central Dispatch and the Road Commission were each going to contribute \$1,000 per year, but Central Dispatch recently found out it could not legally spend part of its budget in that manner. The Road Commission then agreed to absorb Central Dispatch's intended share.)

Several years ago the Road Commission, Central Dispatch, and the townships of Crawford County, with the exception of Frederic, pooled resources in an effort to update local signage. At the time, Frederic Township opted not to participate in the sign project, so signs were not produced, and therefore not installed in Frederic.

Since the other townships are at a significantly different level of signage than Frederic, it was agreed that Frederic can not participate in the current "joint endeavor" until the township "updates roadways within Frederic Township with appropriate street name signs."

Under the previous sign project, duplicates of each sign were made and some are still stockpiled at the Road Commission in case a replacement is needed. Many replacement signs have been used up over the years due to theft, vandalism, and accidents involving signs. According to the new sign policy, "All signs that have replacements under previous contracts shall be installed when needed or requested."

The Road Commission Board approved the "policy for placement of street name signs on public and private roadways" on Wednesday, November 21, with a 3-0 vote.

State reduces funding to road commissions

► CCRC's main source of funding decreased by about \$65,000 per year

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Money that helps fund county road commission operations throughout the state of Michigan has been reduced as of November 6 by a governor's executive order, Crawford County Road Commission Managing Director Don Babcock reported to the Road Commission Board last week.

The Crawford County Road Commission (CCRC) will lose

approximately \$69,000 per year due to the cuts, Babcock said.

Governor John Engler's Executive Order No. 2001-9 reduces Michigan Transportation Funds (MTF) by \$48 million statewide and cuts Transportation Economic Development Funds (TEDF) by \$1.68 million statewide, Babcock reported.

Michigan Transportation Funds come from gasoline tax money, and are distributed to Michigan counties and cities according to a formula referred to as Act 51.

"MTF is our bread and butter," said Babcock. "It makes up the majority of our budget. We use (MTF) to build and maintain roads in our system. Now, we'll have that

much less to work with."

With the recent executive order, the Crawford County Road Commission will have to operate with approximately \$65,000 (per year) less in MTF, and about \$4,000 (per year) less in TEDF.

The timing of the executive order's effective date also creates a problem for the Road Commission, since the Road Commission just passed a new budget for fiscal year 2001-02.

(The Crawford County Road Commission's fiscal year runs from October 1 to September 30.)

"We will probably have to amend the budget for this year to reflect the changes," Babcock said.

Babcock said the changes will

most likely affect routine maintenance rather than construction projects, since the construction projects are already lined up.

"It will probably mean a little less blading and dust control," Babcock said.

The reduction in state funding for road commissions has caused a three percent drop in MTF for the CCRC. "With the reduction in revenues from last year and with this year's revenue reduction, we will be operating on approximately five percent less than in 1999," Babcock said.

The City of Grayling will also lose approximately \$3,700 per year due to the reduction of MTF, Babcock said.

New plat book contract offered to County Board

by Cherrill Ruley
Staff Writer

An Illinois-based firm has made an offer to the Crawford County Board of Commissioners for the creation and publication of a new plat book outlining public and private lands in the county.

The current plat book has been called inaccurate by many in the community, including County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore and Sheriff Dave Lovely. Both officials said at a recent meeting of the Board their departments refer to plat books on a regular basis and have found numerous errors.

Whether the errors come from the company who published the current book about five years ago or just from the process of land ownership changes, the general consensus of the Commissioners was a new book

is needed.

Plat books are used by many people inside and outside of the community. Many hunters and sportsmen refer to the books to identify state, federal and private land boundaries; Sheriff's deputies use the books to help find remote locations during emergencies; and property buyers refer to the book when considering a purchase.

The Board was presented with a contract to create and publish 1,000 2002 plat books for \$19,500 from Rockford Map Publishers -- a different firm from the last publisher, but a company used for Crawford County mapping in years past.

Upon review of examples, the Commissioners commented on the high quality of the plat books of surrounding counties published by Rockford. If the new books are sold

for \$30 each (current price is \$25), the county would see a profit of \$10,500 which District #4 Commissioner Lynnette Corlew suggested be put in a separate fund to be used solely for the development of future plat books.

The Commissioners discussed the problem of coming up with the necessary funds for the down payment on the contract and may look for financial input from the townships and other concerns that use plat books in the regular course of business.

Besides the 1,000 plat books, the publishing contract would also give the county 100 bonus copies to be carried in patrol cars and for use in other governmental departments, and a free digital "Vector" file using true global positioning -- valued at \$500. The County would be able to

use the file to generate revenue when maps are requested for legal documentation and other purposes.

The County has until mid-January to seek help with funding and decide on the contract. If the Board decides to go ahead with the project, the company can be expected to deliver the new books in October 2002.

City council approves new meeting rules

► New regulations for regular & special meetings aim to quicken proceedings

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling City Council recently approved a new set of rules to govern its meetings, adding a few new regulations to help speed up the proceedings.

The council first passed the new set of rules on October 8. On November 12, after two new city council members were elected to the council in the November 6 election, the board re-approved the same set of rules.

The new meeting guidelines include a few provisions that are intended to help move meetings along more quickly.

Under the new rules, the council will now approve "non-controversial" items such as "approval of

minutes, correspondence, and approval of recognition resolutions" in one motion under the "consent agenda." Any item can be taken off the consent agenda and placed on the regular agenda for discussion at the request of any council member, the rules state.

The council has also adopted a time limit of five minutes for presentations to the council, though the "presiding officer shall have the authority to extend the time any person has to speak," according to the new rules.

In addition, an ending time of 9:30 p.m. for regular and special council meetings has been established by the new set of rules. The council can vote to extend a meeting past 9:30 p.m. if it so desires, the rules state.

Council meetings will continue to be held at 7:30 p.m. on the second and last Monday of every month at Grayling Middle School.

(Note: There will be only one regular council meeting in December.

It will be held on Monday, December 10.)

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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Is interrogation of Middle East visitors proper?

THE UNITED STATES Justice Department wants to talk to young men from the Middle East who are in the United States on temporary visas. Agents will be searching for clues to help fight terrorism.

A program is underway to question about 5,000 Middle Eastern men between ages 18 and 33 who entered the United States after January 1, 2000, on temporary visas as students, tourists or on business.

The whole idea has set off quite a firestorm in civil libertarian circles and among some Arab Americans.

Many critics call it racial profiling. If racial profiling is singling out men 18 to 33 from Middle Eastern countries, who are recent arrivals in this country on a temporary basis ... well, it's profiling all right. It's the same profile borne by most of the 19 men identified as those who executed the September 11 attacks on America.

Federal officers will be seeking any information that might be helpful in preventing future violence against America.

Obviously there's more likelihood of finding useful information by talking to young men from the Middle East than by asking middle aged blonde women from Scandinavia, for example.

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CONSIDER A FEW facts concerning the 19 terrorists identified in the September 11 deaths of almost 5,000 people in America.

All 19 terrorists had entered the country with proper visas; three had lost their legal status by the time the attack took place.

Two entered the U.S. last year; 14 were admitted in May and June of 2001. These 16 temporary visas were either for tourism, education, or business.

Of the 19 attackers, 15 came from Saudi Arabia, two from United Arab Emirates, one was Egyptian, and one Lebanese -- all Middle Eastern countries, of course.

There's an old saying among sportsmen: If you want to hunt ducks successfully, go where the ducks are.

So if you hope to learn a bit about terrorists and organizations operating from Middle Eastern countries, you talk to people who've been there and might know something about it. That's why the 5,000 young Middle East visitors are on the will-call list.

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WHAT SORT OF questions will be asked in these interviews?

According to published reports, agents will seek to establish the legitimacy of the visa holders (if they're students, talk about their studies; if they're tourists, where have they visited), do they know anything about terrorist groups; have they been recruited for terrorism or know anyone who has, what's their experience with weapons, and so on.

Visa holders need not agree to be interviewed, and can answer any, all or none of the questions, as they choose.

Local police officials have been asked to help with the program. Some will, some

won't.

The police chief in Portland, Oregon, for example, said he won't help because he thinks the program is illegal under Oregon law, and the Detroit police chief said he's too busy with border check duties to take on any more jobs.

As visitors to the United States, those being questioned should be expected to cooperate with local officials, just as American visitors in other countries are expected to do the same.

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IF THE PROGRAM is carried out as federal officials have outlined, everything should work out all right.

Maybe it will produce some leads and be fruitful in the American fight against terrorism. Maybe it will be a big waste of time and energy. Time will tell.

By itself, questioning newly arrived short term visitors from the Middle East seems a logical approach, but a lot depends on how the idea is implemented, and what comes

next in the government's battle against terrorism.

Wide scale interrogation of temporary visa holders could end up being the camel's nose under the tent, and all Americans should be alert to the possibility of giving up too many protections in the name of anti-terrorism.

How many is too many? That's the unanswerable question.

Tariq Shah, president of the Lansing chapter of the American Muslim Council, made a lot of sense in comments quoted in the Lansing State Journal.

"I'm not really sure if this is fair," he said. "The government has to do what it has to do. I'm just hoping they aren't going to go overboard."

We all do.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

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by Juanita Wennerstrom
Written originally for Veterans Day;
author says she now includes
the heroes of September 11

Red Cross makes major changes in Liberty Fund

The American Red Cross has announced a series of sweeping changes regarding its Liberty Disaster Fund to increase support for people affected by the September 11 terrorist attacks while also making it easier for them to access needed help. The Red Cross established the Liberty Fund shortly after the September 11 tragedies as a separate, segregated account to fund relief services related to terrorism.

The changes were announced by Harold Decker, interim CEO. "Americans have spoken loudly and clearly that they want our relief efforts directed at the people affected by the September 11 tragedies.

We deeply regret that our activities over the past eight weeks have not been as sharply focused as America wants, nor as focused as

the victims of this tragedy deserve. The people affected by this terrible tragedy have been our first priority and beginning today, they will be the only priority of the Liberty Fund."

Meeting the immediate and long-term needs of the people affected by the September 11 terrorist attacks is now the sole focus of the Liberty Fund, which has received \$543 million to date. Programs that had been part of the Liberty Fund, such as the Strategic Blood Reserve, community outreach, and Armed Forces services will continue, but will be funded from other sources.

Red Cross will provide families whose loved ones were lost or seriously injured in the attacks approximately \$111 million in additional financial support before the end of the year through its family gift

cash program, extending the support from the initial three-month period to a full year.

Forthcoming checks will provide another six months of basic living expenses such as housing, food, utilities, tuition, and childcare. Red Cross projects spending \$275 million by December 31 to aid the people affected. In January, the organization will present a plan detailing how the remaining funds will be spent consistent with the changes announced November 14.

There are four basic groups assisted by the Liberty Fund, including those who lost loved ones during the attacks, the residents of the immediate area who lost housing, businesses impacted when the towers collapsed, and the rescue workers who remain at ground zero with clean up efforts.

The Red Cross has also decided to provide the names of 25,000 families it has helped to a database that will be shared among relief agencies. This will streamline the aid process for families of victims to get the help they deserve. Families need to complete a one-page form, and checks are usually received within 48 hours once verification is completed.

Since September 11, approximately 46,000 Red Cross workers have assisted with relief efforts; 43,000 of the workers are volunteers. Each day, 100,000 meals are served, totaling over 10 million meals since September 11.

Northern Lower Michigan residents have given over \$250,000 to the Liberty Fund.

Further details on the Liberty Fund can be obtained by calling your local Red Cross chapter at 1-800-691-6059.

VIEWPOINT

By Dave Camp, U.S. Representative (R) Michigan

Securing our skies after September 11

The events of September 11 have forever changed the way Americans feel about air travel, leaving many wary about returning to the skies. To ensure air travel safety, the U.S. House of Representatives recently approved the "Secure Transportation for America Act," H.R. 3150, on a bipartisan 286 to 139 vote with my support. The bill is a comprehensive plan to overhaul and dramatically improve aviation security. The legislation is supported by President Bush.

The House measure will ensure that each airport, regardless of whether it is considered small or

large will have a federal law enforcement agent at each checkpoint. But, the Senate bill would create two levels of security, one for large airports and another for small airports. Under the Senate version, MBS International Airport in Saginaw and Capital City Airport in Lansing, both considered non-hub airports, would not have federal employees. I believe we must have uniform airport security standards.

The federal government should be responsible for maintaining strict security standards, administering federal testing requirements, and making certain that a federal law

enforcement agent is assigned to every passenger checkpoint in every U.S. airport. Both the House and the Senate bills call for federal Sky Marshals. The difference, however, is that the House bill gives flexibility to the President to decide the ratio of government employees to private employees in baggage screening. I believe that the best course of action on this matter is to give the President the ability to design an airport security workforce that best meets our security needs rather than be forced to adopt a one-size-fits-all approach.

Regarding the x-raying of lug-

gage, the House bill would require every airport to screen luggage, including checked bags by 2003. Surprisingly, the Senate version sets no time table and has no deadline for airports to begin using screening machines for all luggage.

I want every American to feel safe traveling the skies. I would not support a bill that would jeopardize their safety. I am confident the differences between the two bills will be worked out, and legislation will be sent to the President for his signature that will install the best security measures found anywhere in the world.

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Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words.

Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone

number must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

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Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

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Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

BRIEFS

GPA hosts annual Breakfast with Santa

The Grayling Promotional Association will host its annual Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 1 at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for kids; a ticket is required to enter. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be there and the elves will be serving up a special Christmas breakfast with eggs, french toast sticks and other good breakfast stuff. Children can visit with Santa may get their photo taken with him for \$3 per picture or \$5 for two. There will be face-painting and the Kids' Corner will give the little ones opportunity to do some Christmas shopping.

GHS Choirs to host Madrigal Dinner

Grayling High School Choirs will host their second annual Madrigal Dinner on Friday and Saturday, December 7 and 8, in the AuSable Primary School Cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. each evening. For tickets and seating arrangements visit Riverland Gear on Michigan Avenue in Grayling. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8.50 for kids under the age of 12 years.

Club to make wreaths, exchange cookies

Beyond the Garden Wall Garden Club will meet Thursday, December 6 at 7 p.m. at the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church in Grayling. The club will be learning how to make Christmas wreaths and centerpieces; evergreens will be provided. There will also be a cookie exchange that evening where everyone brings two dozen cookies. Participants will have the opportunity to exchange those cookies with the rest of the group and take home a variety of different cookies. Anyone with questions may feel free to call Cheryl at 275-9920 or Pat at 348-3207.

Annual Christmas Special tickets on sale

Tickets for "The Christmas Show," a local holiday tradition presented by Crawford AuSable Community Cultural Events, are now on sale at the Crawford AuSable School District's Central office, 403 Michigan Avenue in Grayling. The Christmas Show will be presented on Thursday, December 6, at 7:30 p.m., in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and senior citizens (Visa and Mastercard accepted). A family package of tickets is available: up to six tickets for \$25; quantities are limited. The show this year features the Michigan Opera Theatre Singers, the ever-popular Classical Bells, mime Rob Reider, the Grayling High School Jazz Band and more.

Seventh-day school offers citrus fruit

The Grayling Seventh-day Adventist Church School, at Camp AuSable in Grayling, is selling a variety of citrus fruit again this winter. Each month through April the school will be taking orders for half and full boxes of grapefruit, Navel/Temple/Valencia oranges, tangerines and tangelos. Next order by date is November 29 for delivery by December 9; the following order by date is January 10 for pick up January 20. For prices, pick-up times and to place an order, call 348-5491.

Red Cross Pizza Day is December 4

You are busy with the holiday rush, so take advantage of the "little elves" at Little Caesars on Tuesday, December 4 to purchase the promotional pizza and support your local Red Cross. One dollar from the sale of each promotional pizza is given to the local Red Cross to support local programs. Since September 11, over fifty new volunteers have been trained in disaster response. Many of these volunteers will be on the scene at local fires arranging for immediate food, clothing, and shelter for families affected by house fires.

Retired Federal Employees to meet

The local chapter of the National Association for Retired Federal Employees (NARFE), Chapter 2305, will meet Thursday, December 6 at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church in Grayling. A representative from Blue Cross/Blue Shield Federal Employees Program will be the guest speaker; a question and answer session will follow the presentation. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m., with the business meeting starting about 12:15 p.m. Membership is open to civilians with at least five years vested service in any agency of the federal or District of Columbia government, including retirees, former employees, current employees and spouses, and surviving spouses of those eligible to join. For more information, call Rudy Martinez at 348-5326.

Aquatics program free to MS sufferers

A new winter session of the National Multiple Sclerosis (M.S.) Society aquatics program will begin on Saturday, December 1 and continue through Saturday, January 12 with the exception of December 22 at the Kaliseum in Kalkaska. The sessions start at 11 a.m. and last until 12 noon and are free to anyone with M.S. This is an opportunity for swimming and water exercise with a group of people who get together every Saturday morning to work the body and have fun in the process. Volunteers are available for anyone needing assistance getting from their cars to the pool and in the dressing area to get ready to swim. For more information, call Doni Barrett at (231) 258-5337.

Booster Club announces raffle winners

The Grayling Youth Booster Club 50/50 raffle winners of \$25 each for the week of November 25 are Bill Golnick, Sandy Thompson, and Paula and Patti Chapp.

Commodities to be distributed Dec. 5

Senior citizens' and MIC commodities will be distributed Wednesday, December 5, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at Hanson Hills Recreational Area (Old Lake Road near M-93) in Grayling.

4-H tot swim program begins soon

The Tiny Tot Swim Program for three- and four-year olds begins December 3 at the Super 8 Motel on Four Mile Road in Grayling. Cost of the program is \$18 and sessions run for a half hour each week for six weeks. Three-year olds swim at 2 p.m. and four-year olds swim at 3 p.m. Class sizes are limited. Register at the Crawford County MSU-E Office in the basement of the courthouse from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Registration will not be taken over the phone.

Photo contest deadline nears

The deadline for the 2001 Amateur Photo Contest, sponsored annually by the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District, is December 7. This contest is open to anyone at any age, but photo(s) must be taken in Crawford or Roscommon counties. They may be color or black and white. Only one photo may be entered per category per person, but you may submit entries in more than one category. A limit of one prize per person is allowed. Categories are floral, forestry, landscapes, recreation, and wildlife. Prizes are gift certificates for items for sale in the conservation district office. For further information and an entry form, contact the office in the CRAF Center at 606 Lake Street in Roscommon or call 275-5231.

Lantern light tours offered at Wellington farm park

Wellington Farm Park will offer farm tours by lantern light the Friday and Saturday evenings of December 14 and 15.

During the one hour timed tours visitors will be escorted through the 60-acre living history farm by costumed interpreters. Along the way, visitors will stop at selected buildings where other interpreters will present the sights, smells and sounds of the Great Depression. All of the stops will be heated and lit by lanterns.

At each stop, costumed interpreters will present another aspect of the difficulties of rural family life as they prepare for the coming of Christmas. Some walking is involved in the tour.

Wellington Farm Park depicts life on a typical mid-western family farm in the year of 1932, the very bottom of the Great Depression. The only ray of hope reaching each family that Christmas season was

the possibility that things would get better as a result of the recent election of Franklin D. Roosevelt as President of the United States.

The depression seemed even more difficult as the Christmas season approached and each member of the farm family was struggling in their own way to maintain the true meaning of the season as well as preserving the traditions passed down from previous generations.

The Farm By Lantern Light is an opportunity for families of today to step back in time and experience the true meaning of Christmas. Reservations are encouraged. Tours begin at 6:30 p.m. with additional departures every fifteen minutes.

Make reservations by calling 1-888-OLD-FARM or by visiting the web site at www.wellingtonfarm-park.org. The farm is located on Military Road between Grayling and Higgins Lake, and is easily accessible from US-27 and I-75.

Local Red Cross sponsors Disaster Response Course

The American Red Cross Northern Lower Michigan Chapter announces four disaster response training classes to be held in Houghton Lake at the Houghton Lake Fire Hall, 210 McKinley, on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, December 14-16.

Classes will begin at 6 p.m. on Friday and run until 10 p.m.; classes on Saturday will start at 8 a.m. and run until 10 p.m.; classes on Sunday will start at 8 a.m. and run until 12 noon. Completing these classes is the first step for a new Red Cross volunteer to prepare for local or national response.

The course schedule includes:

Red Cross offers baby sitting class

The American Red Cross Northern Lower Michigan Chapter announces a Certified Baby Sitting Class to be held in Gaylord at the United Way Building, 116 E. Fifth Street, on Thursday, December 27 and Friday, December 28.

Classes will begin at 1 p.m. and run until 5 p.m. each day. Youth between 11 and 14 years of age are encouraged to register with the Red Cross office at 1349 S. Otsego Avenue in Gaylord, or by calling the office at 732-7161. Pre-registration

is required. The course fee is \$25 and covers all training supplies, class/reference book, and Baby sitters Kit (includes carrying case, first aid pack, flashlight, baby sitting registration information pad).

Course participants will learn the basics of baby sitting. The training will be fast and fun. Certified American Red Cross Instructors will teach the class that covers safe childcare procedures, proper hygiene, feeding, and general first aid techniques. Come prepared to do light physical activity.

For more information, call Preston Long at 732-7161 or 1-800-691-6059.

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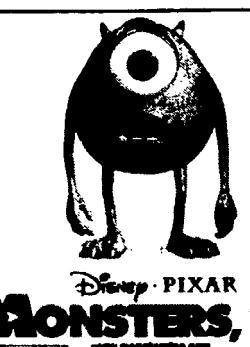
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The Bible Speaks

For Us or Against Us?

Faced with the great Civil War, Abraham Lincoln said "A house divided against itself cannot stand." President Lincoln was quoting a great teaching of Jesus Christ in Mark 3:25: "And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand." Christ also said in Luke 11:17: "Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house divided against a house falleth."

President Bush has shown great wisdom by stating to the entire world they are either for us or against us. This is also a great teaching of Jesus Christ in Mark 9:40: "For he that is not against us is on our part." Christ said in Luke 9:50: "Σ for he that is not against us is for us." Christ also said in Matt. 12:30: "He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad." Praise God for a President who believes in God, reads his Bible every day, and trusts in God.

Dissent is a right of free speech in our nation, but in times of war, there is a fine line between dissent and treason. You may remember during the Vietnam War when we were publicly accused of hypocrisy for defending the killing of Communists while opposing abortion. War requires patriotism for success and victory. Just war involves some injustice, but dissent during war is dangerous. The Communists were emboldened by the public dissent in America during the Vietnam War. Liberal pacifists who burned their draft cards, marched in the streets, and fought against our military buildup were responsible for the killing of untold American soldiers. These liberals who abused their right of free speech were therefore defacto traitors and enemies of America.

You remember when we wrote several arti-

cles about the liberal National and World Council of Churches sending millions of dollars to help "poor Communist freedom fighters" during the cold war. They proved they were not pacifists by eagerly supported the enemy. Liberal church leaders called it "Liberation Theology" and claimed to be fighting for social justice in the name of Jesus Christ. They said the Communists they helped were killing out of love not hate. Such were neither Christian nor American. They were dual traitors to both Jesus Christ and America. Many of them were educated by college professors who fill the hearts and minds of our young people with moral equivalence, tolerance toward immorality, multi-culturalism, disrespect for American values, and intolerance toward both the God of the Bible and patriotism. Our liberal churches and schools became the enemy training camps which undermined the morality of our great nation from within. These same liberals are dialoging today for compromised religious unity.

Recently I read where a man said, "I am a Muslim American, not an American Muslim." He said that to publicly explain why he could not fight in this war against people of his own faith. Well, many Americans of the WW2 generation had grandparents from Germany and/or Italy, but they did not refuse to fight because their relatives there were Christians. In our Civil War, many on both sides were Christians, some even brothers, but that did not hinder their patriotism. Religion is no excuse to support terrorism.

We can learn much from the history of Israel. Joshua said in Josh. 5:13 "And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold,

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"Can I Touch God?"

"Can I touch God?", asked a little one.
"Yes, my child; with every ray of sun
That warms your feet as through the grass you run...
You can touch God."

"Can I see God?", the tiny voice went on.
"Yes, my child; with each morning's dawn
As the birds in the heavens swoop and sail along...
You can see God."

"Can I hear God?", the little one then wondered.
"Yes, you can; in every clap of thunder
His voice rings out casting any doubt asunder...
You can hear God."

"Do I know God?", the innocent one then mused.
"Yes, my love; you need not be confused.
For if your senses you wisely use...
You will know God."

God is waiting to speak to a child in your life this Sabbath. "Let the little children come to me." (Matt. 19:14)



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Mercy offers Parish Nurse Prep course

Mercy Hospital Grayling recently graduated five northern Michigan nurses from its Parish Nurse Preparation course through the University of Detroit Mercy.

Though these nurses are from communities outside the Grayling area -- Traverse City, Buckley, Bellaire and Elk Rapids -- they join an increasing number of nurses committed to providing holistic care

to members of a parish or congregation. A Parish Nurse serves as a minister of health within the context of a local faith community, giving witness to the healing ministry of Jesus. Each of the nurses attended 36 hours of class time including activities and lectures on the roles of a Parish Nurse, Spiritual Care, Health Promotion, Loss and Grief, Grant Writing and Ethics -- all

based on the curriculum developed by the International Parish Nurse Resource Center.

Instructor for the Parish Nurse Preparation Course at Mercy Hospital in Grayling is Sister LuAnn Hannasch, RSM, who said anyone interested in learning more about the course may call her at (989) 348-0403. Another class is forming for early next year.

DISTRICT HEALTH #10 CALENDAR

District Health Department No. 10, Grayling office, has scheduled the following clinics/classes for November.

Please call 348-7800 for appointments.

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Optional/confidential HIV/AIDS testing: December 11.

WIC Supplemental Food Program for pregnant women, infants and children: December 5, 10, 13, 17, 19, 20, 21, and 27.

Breast and cervical cancer screening December 18. Call 1-800-968-7300 to schedule an appointment. This program is available to women ages 40-64, who have limited or no health insurance.

Free hearing and vision screening for children ages 3-18 November 2.

Other services are available; call (989) 348-7800 for appointment.

Other health services include:

Maternal/Infant support - Families

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hearing and vision screenings for ages three - 18 years by appointment, as scheduled; Mi Child and Healthy Kid Insurance Programs;

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Honorable John G. Hunter

Jenny Marie Schudel of Roscommon: Substance-Delivery/Manufacture Marijuana, sentenced to 90 days in jail; ordered to pay \$250 fine, \$300 court costs, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, \$150 forensic lab fee, \$350 attorney fee; placed on 18 months probation; driver's license suspended 180 days.

James Michael Schudel of Roscommon: Controlled Substance-Possession Marijuana/Second Offense, sentenced to 90 days in jail (held in abeyance); ordered to pay \$300 court costs, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, \$150 forensic lab fee, \$350 attorney fees; placed on 18 months probation; license suspended 180 days.

Richard Leroy Sturdvant of Grayling: Operating Under Influence Liquor 3rd, sentenced to 240 days jail; placed on 24 months probation; ordered to pay \$500 fine, \$300 costs, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 attorney fees.

Todd Lee Crickon of Grayling: Operating Under Influence Liquor 3rd, sentenced to 180 days jail (120

days forthwith, 60 days held in abeyance); placed on 18 months probation; ordered to pay \$500 fine, \$300 costs, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 attorney fees, \$150 forensic lab fees.

Honorable Dennis F. Murphy

Matthew Lloyd Barkway of Grayling: Criminal Sexual Conduct 2nd Degree, Person Under 13, sentenced to 24 to 180 months with the Michigan Department of Corrections, ordered to pay \$60 Crime Victims' Fund fee.

Robert Lloyd Butler of Grayling: Police-Fleeing 4th Degree, sentenced to 270 days jail; placed on 36 months probation; ordered to pay \$300 costs, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund.

Jeffrey John Hoesli of Grayling: Probation Violation, sentenced to 16 to 24 months with the Michigan Department of Corrections.

John William Lavere of Roscommon: Stolen Property/Received and Conceal 200, placed on 12 months probation; ordered to pay \$300 costs, \$735 restitution, \$50 Crime Victims' Fund.

Honorable Alton T. Davis

Eric Allen Harding of Gaylord:

Marijuana, sentenced to 45 days in jail; ordered to pay \$250 fine, \$300 costs, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 attorney fees, \$150 forensic lab fee; placed on 18 months probation.

James Leonard Wilson of Roscommon: Assault and Battery, ordered to pay \$100 fine, \$100 costs, \$50 Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 attorney fees.

Anthony Maurice Rosin of Roscommon: Operating Under Influence Liquor/per se, sentenced to 270 days in jail; placed on 24 months probation; ordered to pay \$500 fine, \$300 costs, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 attorney fees.

Barry J. Fisher of Grayling: Telecommunications, sentenced to 365 days in jail; placed on 36 months probation; ordered to pay \$300 costs, \$500 restitution, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund.

Michael Joseph Martin of Frederic: Delivery/Manufacture Marijuana, Habitual Offender, sentenced to 120 days in jail; placed on 18 months probation; ordered to pay \$250 fine, \$300 costs, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 attorney fees.

Ronald Earl Ross of Roscommon: Criminal Sexual Conduct 2nd Degree, Person Under 13, sentenced to 365 days in jail; placed on 36 months probation; ordered to pay \$300 costs, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund.

Jamie Lynn Isenhauer of Rapid City: Probation Violation, sentenced to 270 days in jail; discharged from probation without improvement.

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Eric Allen Harding of Gaylord:

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Grayling Middle School News

Submitted by the Grayling Middle School Parent Improvement Team

The Grayling Middle School play will be taking place this Friday and Saturday night at the Grayling High School. Tickets are on sale at Riverland Photo in downtown Grayling. There is a different cast each night.

Next week, December 3 - 7 will be the Media Center Book Fair. This is a great chance to pick up a few extra presents for Christmas. They always have a great variety and the librarians will be happy to help you with your selections for middle schoolers.

December 7 and 8 the choir will be holding its annual Madrigal Dinner at the AuSable Primary cafeteria. The event starts at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are on sale at Riverland Photo with adult tickets at \$15 and students under 12 at \$8.50.

GRAYLING VIKING BAND FRUIT SALE: The fruit ordered from the band members will be in December 8 at the Grayling elementary. If you ordered from a band member, you will need to pick up your order between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Saturday. We will have lots of helpers to help you carry it to

your car but we need to have you pick it up by 3 p.m. as we do not have a heated area to store any orders that are not picked up. December 13 will be the Grayling Middle School Choir Concert held at the High School. We will need cookie donations for the reception afterwards. If you can help, please contact Shirley Currison at 348-1348 or Karen Ross at the middle school.

Attendance at Grayling Middle School was 96% for the month of October. Also, discipline problems are going down throughout the whole school. Credit not only goes

to the middle school staff but also to all the parents out there that really care and are encouraging their kid to do their best.

The next P.I.T. meeting will be held December 13 at 8:30 a.m. at the Grayling Middle School. If you have any ideas, problems or concerns, please stop in and let us know.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The Crawford County Sheriff Department handled the following 74 complaints the week of November 19-25:

Twelve traffic accidents, six non-traffic accidents, one traffic violation (civil infraction), one traffic safety public appearance, one acci-

dent - all other, one property - liquor inspection, four civil matter disputes - family trouble, four suspicious situations, one drug overdose, one natural death, six general non-criminal, one EMS response, one vehicle fire, one assault/intimidation/stalking, seven larceny, eight

damage to property, one drug/narcotic violations, three public peace/disorderly, two OUIL/UBAL, four driving violations/DWLs, etc., one health and safety, one conservation, one miscellaneous criminal offense, one delinquent minors, four false alarm activations.

GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

The Grayling Police Department handled the following 57 complaints during the week of November 18 through November 24:

One misdemeanor citations, one property damage accident, two

breaking and entering complaints, two motorist assist, 15 larceny complaints, one property damage complaint, one assist other department, 10 suspicious situations, one personal protection offense complaint, two civil complaints, one fraud

complaint, one alarm complaint, two city ordinance violation complaints, four juvenile complaints, one purchase permit, two traffic warnings, one animal control complaint and eight unclassified complaints.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled during November 28 through December 4 is as follows:

Range firing is not conducted at Camp Grayling during the Firearm Deer Season, November 15 through November 30.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number is (989) 348-6371.

Directions for hunting access to Camp Grayling: Take west M72 to Sunset Trail, go across the Manistee River, take King Road to Sharon Truck Trail which becomes Howe

Road. The Portage Creek Road bridge, located west of Howe Road, in South Camp is closed for construction.

The Range 40 Air to Ground Complex, located north of County Road 612, est of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Road 618, and west of county Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during the following dates and times:

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MILITARY NEWS

Pvt. Stephan J. Moon Jr., a Grayling High School graduate, has completed his Advanced Individual Training at Fort Gordon in Georgia for Radio-Comsec Repairer.

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Mental Health network receives accreditation

North Central Community Mental Health (CMH) has been informed by CARF that it has been awarded accreditation in Network Administration. North Central CMH is the fourth organization in the nation to receive accreditation in Network Administration since CARF began awarding it in August, 2000. The local agency was awarded accreditation for three years beginning October, 2001 and expiring October, 2004.

North Central CMH is also CARF-accredited for three years for its Mental Health Programs and Community Services.

With offices in Cadillac,

Houghton Lake, and Grayling, North Central CMH manages the provider network for behavioral health services in Crawford, Missaukee, Roscommon and Wexford Counties.

"We are very pleased to have achieved the Network Accreditation from CARF. We believe this high level of accreditation demonstrates our ongoing commitment to improving the lives of the people we serve," said Greg Paffhouse, Chief Executive Officer of North Central CMH.

Bill Slavin, Chief of Managed Care Operations, added, "CARF's long history of accrediting commu-

nity-based and outcomes-focused care makes us especially pleased to achieve Network Administration accreditation. The CARF accreditation stands as recognition of our management of a provider network."

An organization with a formal agreement to manage or deliver rehabilitation with one or more service providers may apply for CARF accreditation in Network Administration.

Each contracted provider's individual services must first be accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting body prior to the CARF site survey for Network Administration. All of the North

Three CMH programs combine efforts

The Chief Executive Officers of three area Community Mental Health (CMH) Service Programs signed an agreement today to combine efforts and work together to preserve the local management of public sector behavioral health services.

Together, Great Lakes CMH, North Central CMH, and West Michigan CMH provide and manage services for people living in nine counties: Crawford, Grand Traverse, Lake, Leelanau, Mason, Missaukee, Oceana, Roscommon, and Wexford.

The purpose of the affiliation is to better serve consumers with mental illness and developmental disabilities by building upon existing strengths and achieving economies of scale in administrative functions. Key goals include maintaining local representation, stakeholder participation, accessibility, participation,

accountability, collaboration, and fulfillment of public policy and public interest responsibilities.

The affiliation will provide the opportunity to integrate number of administrative and non-administrative services, including information systems and technology, continuous quality improvement, clinical record-keeping and practice guidelines, credentialing and privileging, and public information.

According to Greg Paffhouse, CEO of North Central CMH, "The benefits achieved through affiliation can be significant. Our work together will help to ensure that we continue to find ways to meet our expanded state and federal responsibilities and minimize administrative costs.

This agreement allows us to maintain our identity and systems, and retain local control of the services we

provide."

The agreement is structured to ensure consumers continue to have access to all existing services. It is expected the affiliation itself will be fairly invisible to both consumers and counties.

Work groups of staff from the three agencies have been meeting to identify areas where cooperation could occur and to agree on the best ways to share expertise.

According to Bill Slavin, Chief Managed Care Officer for the affiliation, "The bottom line is better service for consumers. By taking the best practice guidelines from all three agencies, we all will improve. And pooling resources and more effectively using existing funds will help ensure that people in our area continue to have services where they live."

Central CMH network providers are accredited by CARF or the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.

Members of the local provider network include six area hospitals, NOC Industries, Hope Network Northern Michigan; ROOC, Inc.; Catholic Human Services; Northern Management Services; Horizons of Michigan, Hope Network; and G.R.A.C.E. Center.

The traditional functions of a network administrator include selecting and credentialing the network's providers, contracting and member relations, and managing the network's quality and outcomes. The network may include partnerships, affiliations, collaborative enterprises, joint ventures, and other contractual relationships.

According to Slavin, network members "apply for membership, are accredited by a national accrediting body, and meet quality improvement and other requirements in order to be a part of the network. Together, network members provide a comprehensive range of services available to meet the needs of the people living in our area."

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Mercy reps give state trauma team 'wish list'

Mercy Hospital Grayling's Auxiliary Legislative Chairman Ken Eldridge and Phil Shafer, PA-C, EMT-P of the Emergency Department, double-teamed to tell the 15-person Michigan Trauma Commission, which met in Grayling recently, about "the unique needs and constraints of northern rural Michigan in a statewide trauma care delivery system."

The Commission is studying the creation of a statewide coordinated trauma care system to possibly include protocols for the health care professionals involved in providing emergency services and the classification of hospitals. The Commission, after hearing from hospitals and health professionals across the state, will provide recommendations to the Legislature by July, 2002.

Eldridge advised the Commission, "last year, Mercy Grayling recorded 17,000 emergency room visits." He further noted, "this year, we expect to record about 18,000." This he said is a testament to the needs of residents in this rural area. On an average day, about 15 patients are brought by ambulance to Mercy Hospital Grayling's emergency room for care.

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Further, Eldridge told the Commission Mercy Hospital Grayling's emergency department must staff to accommodate seasonality, referring to snowmobile accidents in the winter and water sports mishaps in the summer. Additionally, he said Mercy provides continuous education of local emergency service personnel, refines the protocols for treating emergency care needs with both the Crawford and Roscommon-Oscoda Medical Control Authorities, and has developed partnership arrangements with downstate hospitals that have developed specialized care services for seriously injured trauma victims.

Shafer told the Commission members the Mercy Hospital Grayling emergency department "is staffed with a physician 24 hours a day and has double coverage with a physician assistant during busy times."

He also told the Commission "the vast majority of trauma patients received at Grayling Mercy are easily cared for right here." He explained, "Some are admitted to the hospital for surgery and to provide care for uncomplicated fractures." He noted there are protocols in place to transport patients to specialty care hospitals when needed.

The Commission was presented with a "wish list" of sorts from Shafer: closer and weather capable transport services, increase in availability of trauma education (ATLS) for all involved in emergency services, increased communications among all involved emergency providers, and increased education

programs for the public.

Eldridge recommended the Commission solve three issues: the health care professional shortage, provisions for adequate reimbursement for trauma care costs and assure easier coordination of transfers when needed.

Companions welcome new volunteer

New Senior Companion volunteer, Dolores Norton of Grayling, was welcomed during the November In-service held at B.J.'s Restaurant in Gaylord.

Admissions Coordinator Sue Shomrock and a grief counselor from the Gaylord Hospice of Michigan office, were guest speakers. Hospice services were explained as well as how to deal with grief. Updated Medicare and Social Security information was also given to the volunteers.

Non-perishable food items will be collected by volunteers in time for next month's meeting and will be donated to a worthy cause.

Monthly prize winner was Clara Nagy of Houghton Lake.

Anyone with questions about the Senior Companion Program or who is interested in the program, should call toll-free 1-877-222-9043, ext. 260. The Senior Companion Program is sponsored by Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency (NEMCSA).

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Over 360 flu shots given at Open House

Hundreds of area residents participated in the many events available at the Mercy Prudenville site earlier this month.

The Mercy Community Health Center in Prudenville was the site of an Open House attended by almost 400 area residents on November 1. Jacques Burgess, MD, and David Hunter, MD, both specializing in Internal Medicine/Pediatrics; and Barb Gielincki, FNP, Family Practice, were on hand to greet participants and help the Prudenville staff conduct tours of the facility.

Occupational Health Services, Holistic Health, Rehabilitation Services, Diabetic Education, Volunteer Services, Cardiac Rehabilitation Services, and the Grayling Asthma Project offered displays and answered questions with regard to their services.

Participants were able to view Mercy Prudenville's laboratory, radiological suite, rehabilitation and cardiac rehabilitation gymnasium, and patient areas associated with each physician practice.

In addition, Drs. Hunter and Burgess and FNP Barb Gielincki, physicians offering specialty services at the site are Anthony Benenati, MD (Podiatry), Margaret Moen, MD (Sleep Disorders), Farrukh Kahn, MD, of the Grand Traverse Heart Institute, Dr. David LaGattuta, MD, and Marj Kelsey,

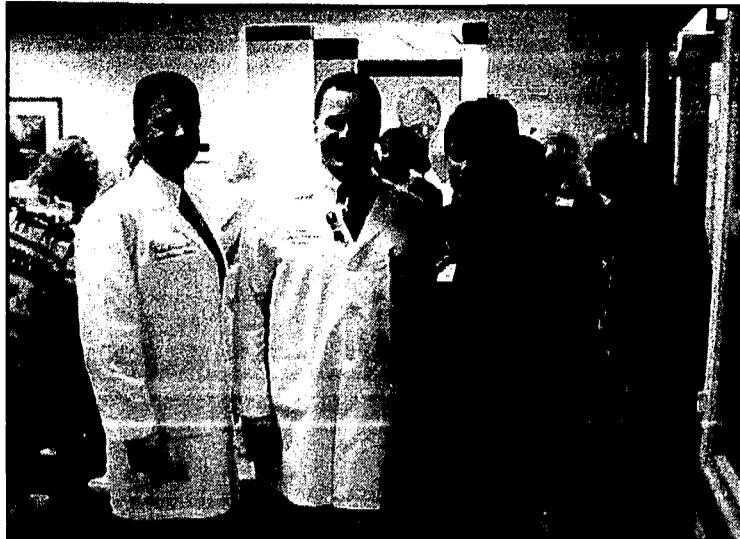


Photo courtesy of Mercy Hospital Grayling

Greeting members of the community on November 1 at Mercy Community Health Center in Prudenville are Jacques Burgess, MD; David Hunter, MD, and Barb Gielincki, FNP. The threesome said the Open House was a success.

FNP, OB/GYN.

Over 360 flu shots and 43 free cholesterol screens were provided during the event by the Occupational Health staff.

"Our community continues to support this facility wholeheartedly and we are very appreciative. Whether it be a new physician practice or an event such as this open

house, area residents help us achieve success," indicated Stephanie Riemer Matuzak, CEO of Mercy Hospital Grayling.

The Mercy Community Health Center is located 2585 W. Houghton Lake Drive, in Prudenville and can be reached at (989) 366-2900.

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RSVP offers informational sessions

RSVP of Crawford and Roscommon Counties and sponsor, Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency (NEMCSA), will host two information sessions this week.

The first session is scheduled for Thursday, November 29 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Grayling Township Hall located on Viking Way at M-72 West in Grayling. The second session will be held on Friday, November 30 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the CRAF Center on M-18 in Roscommon. (Use the 4th Street

entrance, Room 151.)

Come and discover the benefits of participating in NEMCSA's senior volunteer programs, receive updated Medicare/Medicaid information, and explore local environmental preservation and restoration volunteer opportunities.

Anyone interested in joining the RSVP (Retired & Senior Volunteer Program) is invited to attend this fall kickoff event. For reservations and information, contact Carol at (989) 275-1717 or Nancy, toll-free, at 1-877-222-9043, ext. 206.

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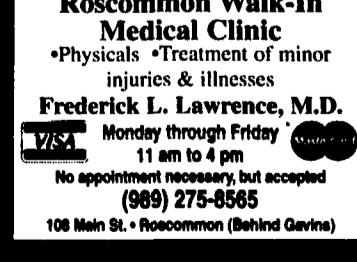
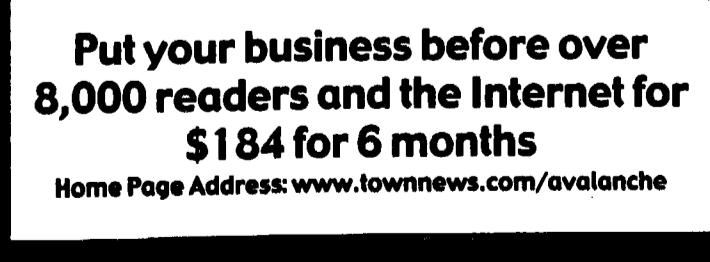
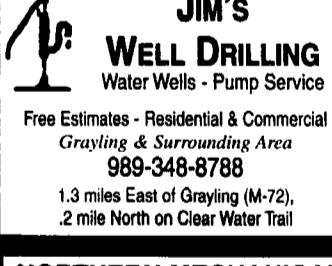
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OBITUARIES

Marvin "Bud" L. Moore

May 19, 1917 - Nov. 23, 2001

Marvin "Bud" L. Moore, 84, died Friday, November 23 at Hilltop Manor Health Care Center in Roscommon.

Mr. Moore was born on May 19, 1917 in Detroit to John H. and Mary L. (Peters) Moore. He married Myrtle I. Rydell on November 1, 1941 in East Tawas.

Mr. Moore served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a machinist and welder and ran a machine and repair shop at Higgins Lake. He had also worked in shops in Detroit, Grayling, Roscommon and Prudenville.

He was a member of Messiah Lutheran Church of Roscommon. "Bud" was an avid fisherman and enjoyed many happy hours on the lakes and streams of the area. He also enjoyed flying with fellow pilot and lifelong friend and neighbor, Robert Alexander.

He is preceded in death by his parents, sister Marie Marsh and brother-in-law Keith Marsh.

He is survived by his wife Myrtle; four sons: Melvin (Darla) Moore of Grayling, Jim (Miyoko) Moore of Royal Oak, John Moore and Don (Pam) Moore of Portland, Oregon. Also one daughter, Loretta (Corey) Hughes of Traverse City. He leaves behind 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, November 25 at Messiah Lutheran Church in Roscommon with Pastor Carl Heidel officiating and burial at Gerrish Township Cemetery in Roscommon. Memorials may be sent to Messiah Lutheran Church or the North Eastern Alzheimer's Association.

Arrangements by Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon.

Frederick Seaver

November 19, 2001

Frederick Frank Seaver, age 43, died Monday, November 19. Services were held Saturday, November 24 at St. Michael Catholic Church in Roscommon.

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Elvin McLeod

July 31, 1919 - Nov. 15, 2001

Elvin McLeod of Manton died Thursday, November 15, after deer hunting near Manton. He was 82.

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Survivors include his wife Mary Ann McLeod; daughters, Mary Esther (Mike) Campbell of Grayling, and Betty Jean McLeod of Gaylord; stepson, Robert (Kristine) Wagner of Manton; stepdaughter, Barbara Steinbrink of Lewisburg, Tennessee; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; six step-grandchildren; eight step-great-grandchildren; brother, Herbert (Gerri) McLeod of Manton; sisters, Minnie (LeRoy) Ingersol of Manton, Jessie McDaniel of West Branch, and Wilma Helsel of Curtis, and several nieces and nephews.

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Burial with military honors was at Stittsville Cemetery.

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Adams, Monks wed



Robert Adams and Nicole Monks

Nicole Monks, daughter of Bill and Diane Monks of Grayling and Robert Adams, son of Pat and Kathy Adams of Farmington Hills, and Linda and Doug King of Newport News, Virginia, were united in marriage July 21, 2001.

A formal ceremony was held at Camp Grayling Chapel. The wedding party consisted of maid of honor, Kelly Harcourt, bridesmaids, Carrie Stephan-Saylor and Cristina Eames. The best man was Ken Louchart with groomsmen Keith Louchart and Hank Saylor. The ushers were Randy McClelland, and Billy Merithew. Ring bearer was Jeffery Partlow and flower girl was Hailey Eames. A reception was held at the Holiday Inn.

Nicole works at Montessori School in Troy and Robert works at TEC in Troy. The couple just bought a house in Madison Heights where they will make their home.

McGrath, Siwula engaged



Sean McGrath and Nichole Siwula

Tom Siwula of Grayling and Elaine Sweeney of Houghton Lake announce the engagement of their daughter Nichole Siwula to Sean McGrath. Sean is the son of James McGrath of West Bloomfield and Sandra McGrath of Ontario, Canada.

Nikki is a Dietetic Intern for University of Michigan Hospitals and Sean is employed by Ford Motor Company. Both are graduates of Central Michigan University, where they met.

A summer 2002 wedding is being planned in Ontario, Canada. The couple will reside in Denver, Colorado.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Join us for a meal, either at noon or 5 pm weekdays except Friday, there is no evening meal. Please try to call for reservations at (989) 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500, so that we know how many to plan for. The Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King. Walk-ins are welcome.

Wed. Nov. 28 - Veal Parmesan/Salmon Patties; Exercise and Line dancing at 10 & 11 a.m.; Stag Cards at 12:30 a.m. and McDonald's Bingo at 5:30 p.m.

Thu. Nov. 29 - Macaroni &

Cheese with Hot Dogs/Tuna & Noodle Casserole; BP's and sugars taken 11 a.m. to noon; RSVP, Crafts and Pinochle Club all at 1 p.m.; Uno-Attack at 5:30 p.m.

Fri. Nov. 30 - Roast Beef/no dinner; Pantry Bingo and 80-cent Rummy at 1 p.m.

Sun. Dec. 2 - Sunday Brunch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. with French Toast, eggs, sausage and fruit bar. Everyone welcome!

Mon. Dec. 3 - Pork Chops/Veal; Stag cards at noon; Bridge Club at 1 p.m.; Hangman at 5:30 p.m.

Tue. Dec 4 - Salisbury Steak/Baked Chicken; Euchre Club at 1 p.m.; Cardo at 5:30 p.m.

Wed. Dec. 5 - Spanish Rice/Brown Steak; Hearing Clinic, by appointment; Exercise and Line Dancing at 10 and 11 a.m.; Stag Cards at 12:30; RSVP and Crafts at 1 p.m.; Wendy's Bingo at 5:30 p.m.

Above all this week remember: Consider your words; the chaff and grain together. Take and sift them - keep what is worth keeping and blow the rest away.

MERCY BIRTHS

James and Mandy Meigs of Houghton Lake announce the arrival of Lainey Nicole born November 1.

Glen Bergeron and Milisa Smith of Kalkaska announce the arrival of Lilian Joyce Smith born November 1.

Ronald and Reva Fowler of

Roscommon announce the arrival of Cassandra Rae born November 3.

Wilbur and Theresa Jones of Lake City announce the arrival of Kristin Elizabeth born November 7.

Richard Bohm Jr. and Tena Blaska of Houghton Lake announce the arrival of Dameon Michael Berry born November 10.

Joseph and Stacy Glencer of Houghton Lake announce the arrival of Hunter Kenneth born November 12.

Brian and Gloria Cook of Houghton announce the arrival of Brian Keith Jr. born November 13.

Kris and Leasa Tulgetske of Roscommon announce the arrival of Stephanie Elizabeth born November 16.

Melissa VanDreumel of Prudenville announces the arrival of Madison VanDreumel born November 18.

Eric and Jennifer Spencer of Roscommon announce the arrival of Hunter David born November 19.

Card of Thanks

Thanks to all of our friends and family who gave us gifts of love and friendship, prayers and support. Also to the ones who gave food and time and effort. To Betty K., to Pastor Jim Kent, to MMR attendants, to 911 staff. To all who gave us comfort in the time of our loss.

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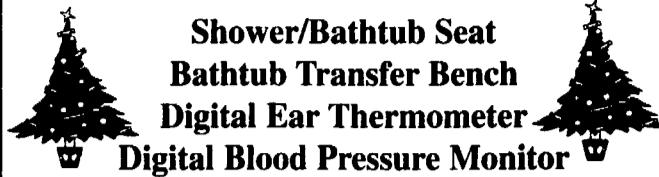
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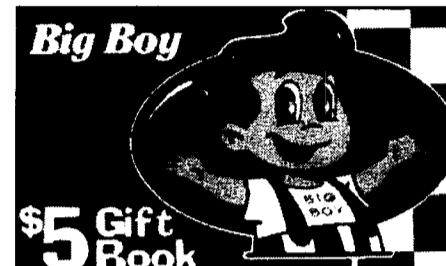
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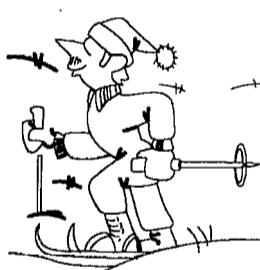
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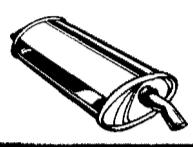
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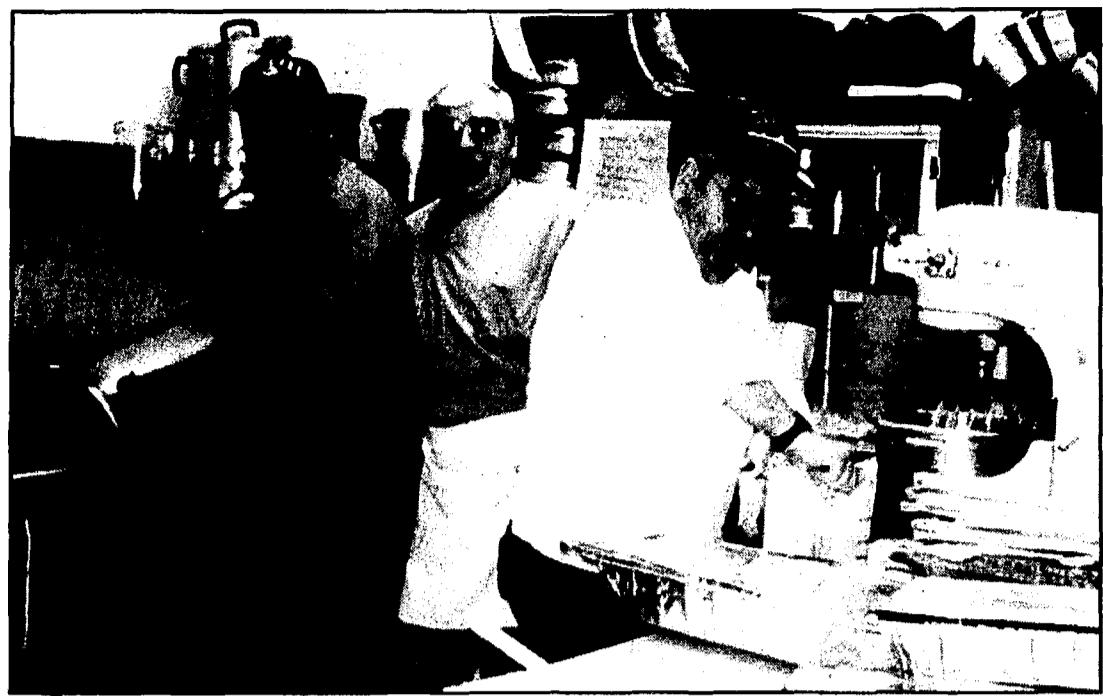
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Local Rotarians hold annual award ceremonies

With Brad Summers serving as Master of Ceremonies, the Grayling Rotary Club held its Annual Award Night at the Holiday Inn in Grayling on November 6. The Michelson Singers, under the direction of Howard Taylor, entertained the group with patriotic numbers and other musical selections.

Grayling Middle School sixth grade students, under the supervision of Principal Doniel Pummell, created and provided the table centerpieces which were complimented by many and, along with a fine meal, enjoyed by all.

First to be awarded were those

members with perfect attendance: One Year - Fred Campbell, Dean Meyering, Brad Scheer, Bruce Schroeder; Two Years - Jim Burch, Wayne Koppa, Gary McConnell, Joe Porter; Four Years - Jerry Gosnell; Eight Years - Diane Tompkins Burch; 10 Years - John Jones, Fred Moore; 12 Years - Norm Schmoock; 15 Years - John Dobry; 27 Years - John Sojka; and 29 Years - Pat Nunn.

The Rotarian of the Year Award

went to Mark Sloan and tribute was made to him by John Dobry. In 1996, Dobry was the first to receive this prestigious award from the club.

Two Paul Harris Fellow Awards were issued this year. John Jones presented the first to Wayne Koppa for his untiring efforts on behalf of the AuSable Canoe Marathon, the Pathways Committee and other community projects. Koppa formerly served as Camp Commander

at Camp Grayling. Also, he and his wife, Marcia, have enjoyed hosting foreign exchange students.

The second Paul Harris Fellow Award went to Brad Scheer, owner and operator of Scheer Motors in Grayling. Scheer is a past president of the organization and has contributed greatly to the community for many years. He said he enjoys spending time with his wife, Charlene, and his family, golfing and fishing.



Photo courtesy of Shirley Schmoock

The Grayling Rotary Club held its Annual Award Night at the Holiday Inn on November 6. Wayne Koppa (left) and Brad Scheer (right) were named "Paul Harris Fellows" and were presented with medals and certificates by Rotary Club President Jim Burch (center). Rotarian of the Year, Mark Sloan, was unable to attend the ceremonies.

County's plan: hiring freeze, fee hikes, sheriff's budget cut

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approval of the County Board.

7) The County services fees to be increased, effective December 1, 2001 are as follows:

PBT Tests was \$2, now \$5; Vital Records was \$11 (1st copy) and \$6

(2nd copy), now \$15 and \$10, respectively; fax service was \$2, now \$3 per page; Room Rent (for depositions and other attorney needs) was \$30 (half day) and \$40 (full day), now \$45 and \$60, respectively; Notary Public was at no charge, now \$2 per signature requested; copy of the Solid Waste Plan was \$25, now \$250; Residential Zoning Fee was \$30, now \$50; Commercial Zoning Fee was \$75, now \$150; Zoning Board of Appeals Application was \$50, now \$275 (plus any additional costs); Special Use Permit was \$50, now \$300 (plus any additional costs); Residential Soil Erosion was \$75, now \$125; Commercial Soil Erosion was \$125, now \$175 (plus any additional costs); Ordinance Site Plan Review was \$50, now \$300; Ordinance change/amendment (requested by a public citizen or organization) was \$50, now \$300

(plus any additional costs); Re-zoning application was \$50, now \$300 (plus any additional costs); Zoning Ordinance Book was \$40, now \$60; and Zoning Ordinance Disk was \$75, now \$100.

Fee increases were developed following research of fees in counties similar to Crawford. The Commissioners discovered in many instances, Crawford charged much less for services than other counties and discussed how an increase in fees will bring the county in line with others and raise revenue.

Sheriff Lovely said he has decided to eliminate a position in his department left vacant by a recent retirement, rather than to fill it through attrition, resulting in the \$50,189 reduction of his budget requested by the County Board. This action avoids any lay-offs within the Sheriff's Department -- at least temporarily.

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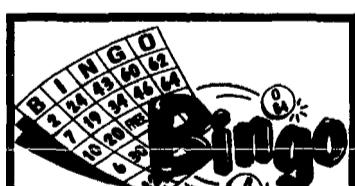
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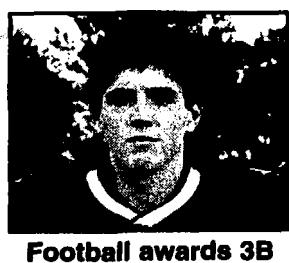
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Thursday, November 29, 2001

► '01-02 WINTER SPORTS CALENDAR: See Pages 8-9B for complete GHS & GMS team schedules.

Winter sports season starts this week

Grayling High School will help kick off the 2001-02 winter sports season with its annual Meet the Team Night on Friday, November 30. The event will be held at

GHS from 7-8:10 p.m. The 7th-12th grade boys basketball teams, JV and varsity cheerleading squads, and 9th-12th grade volleyball players will be intro-

duced at the event, and each team will play briefly.

The wrestling team has its first meet this week (at Gaylord on November 29),

the boys basketball teams start games next week, volleyball starts the week after, and ski season opens in January after holiday break.

Wrestling

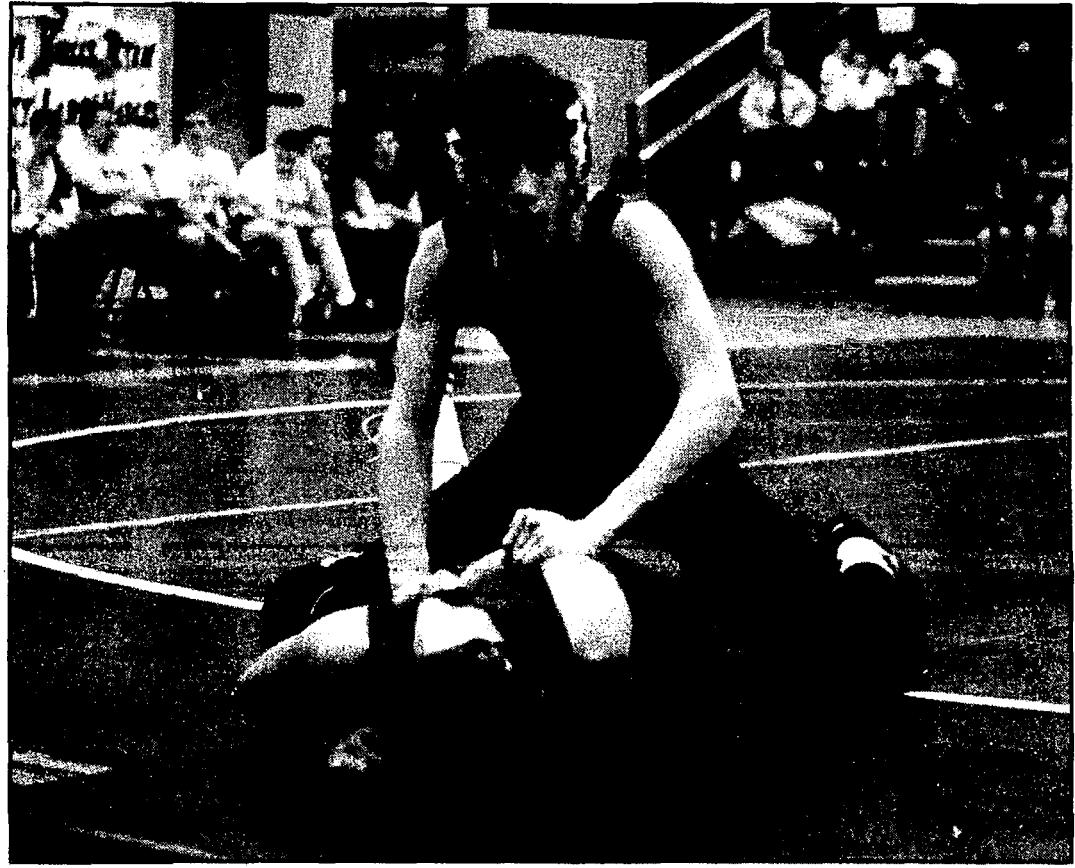
The wrestling team has the first scheduled regular season competition of the year for GHS. The Vikings will face Gaylord and Whittemore at Gaylord on Thursday, November 29, at 6 p.m.

On Saturday, December 1, the Vikings will wrestle at Roscommon beginning at 9 a.m.

The team's home opener is scheduled for Wednesday, December 5, at 6 p.m. The Vikings will compete against non-conference opponents from Houghton Lake and Petoskey.

Grayling will start its league schedule on Thursday, December 13, with a meet against Gladwin and Bay City John Glenn at Gladwin.

The team will be coached by Don Ferguson again this year.



Grayling High School Wrestling (2000-01)

Volleyball

The Grayling High School varsity volleyball team will open its season with a meet at Roscommon on Saturday, December 8, at 8:30 a.m. On Wednesday, December 12, Grayling's varsity, junior varsity, and freshman teams will all play against Gaylord in Grayling starting at 6:15 p.m.

The varsity team's first conference match-up will be played against Standish Sterling Central at Grayling Middle School on Thursday, December 20. The freshman and JV teams will also play Standish on December 20 at the middle school.

The varsity, junior varsity, and freshman girls volleyball teams will be coached this year by Angie Golnick, Bodhi Watts, and Jenny Swander, respectively.



Grayling High School Girls Volleyball (2000-01)

Basketball

The GHS varsity boys basketball team will open its 2001-02 season with a non-conference match against cross-town rivals from Roscommon, at Roscommon, on Tuesday, December 4, in a basketball tripleheader that also includes the Grayling and Roscommon freshman squads. (The varsity game will start after the JV contest, approximately 7:45 p.m. The JV game starts at 6 p.m.)

The junior varsity and varsity boys basketball teams will play their home openers on Friday, December 7, beginning with the JV match at 6 p.m. The varsity game will follow. The matches will be played against the Blue Devils of Gaylord. Grayling's first conference game will be played at Grayling High School vs. the Panthers of Standish Sterling Central on Tuesday, December 11.

The freshman boys basketball team will play its season opener on Tuesday, December 4, against Roscommon. The match is scheduled to start at 4:30 p.m. The freshman team's home opener is set for January 7, at 6:15 p.m. against the Falcons of West Branch Ogemaw Heights. The 9th grade squad opens its 2001-02 season with five road games. After the holiday break, the team plays seven consecutive home games.

The varsity, junior varsity, and freshman boys basketball teams are being coached this year by Rich Moffit, Butch Hayes, and Joe Mau, respectively.



Grayling High School Boys Basketball (2000-01)

Skiing

The ski team has the latest start of any GHS winter sports. The team's first meet of the season, the Gaylord Invitational at Treetops, is scheduled for Friday, January 4, weather permitting.

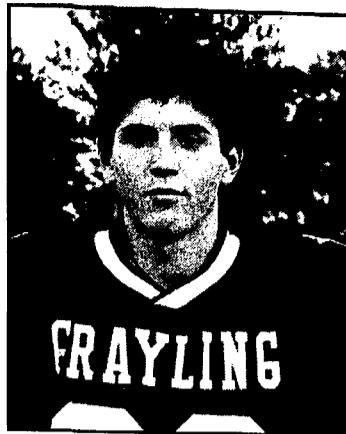
The ski team's second meet of the year will be held at home (at Hanson Hills) on Thursday, January 10, at 3 p.m. vs. the Bucks of Roscommon. On Tuesday, January 15, the Vikings will host Clare and Mt. Pleasant beginning at 3 p.m.

The ski team will be coached by Mike Wieland again this year.

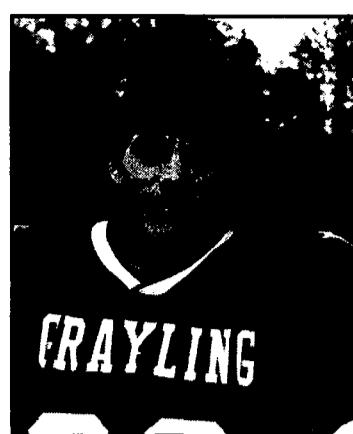


Grayling High School Skiing (2000-01)

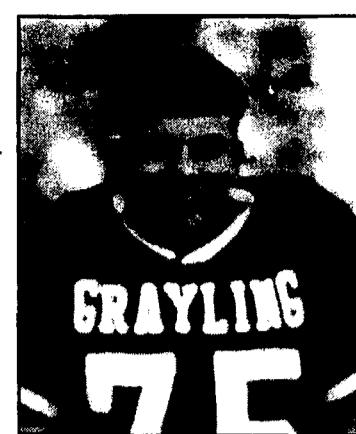
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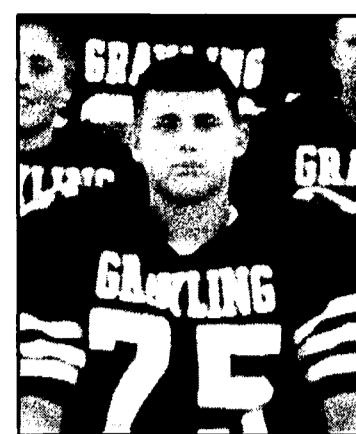
Keil Clough
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"First Team"



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"Second Team"



Ryan Swope
All-Conference
"Honorable Mention"



Roy Czapek
All-Conference
"Honorable Mention"

Four Vikings earn all-league honors

► Varsity football team announces all-conference nods, team awards

Four Grayling High School varsity football players earned all-conference honors for their play this past season, and the Vikings handed out team awards at their annual end-of-the-season banquet on November 13, honoring the efforts of several more players.

Senior Keil Clough earned a spot on the all-conference "first team" as a defensive end. On defense, Clough was in on 54 tackles (34 solo, 20 assists) this past season. He was the team's second leading tackler. Six of his tackles forced a loss in yardage for the opposing team, and he had one fumble recovery.

"(Keil) made great improvements from one year ago," said Coach Scott Cousineau. "I was pleased the other coaches noticed."

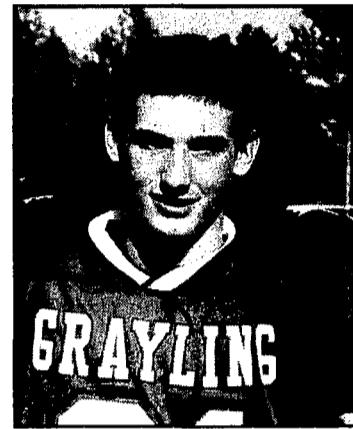
Juell Joseph, senior fullback, was named to an all-conference "second team" spot. Joseph, Grayling's offensive workhorse this year, rushed for a total of 643 yards on 137 carries, for a solid average of 4.7 yards per carry. He also caught 10 passes this season for a total of 87 receiving yards. Joseph ended the season with three touchdowns.

"Running back was a tough spot in our conference," said Coach Cousineau. "He ran hard, he certainly deserved (the all-conference honor)."

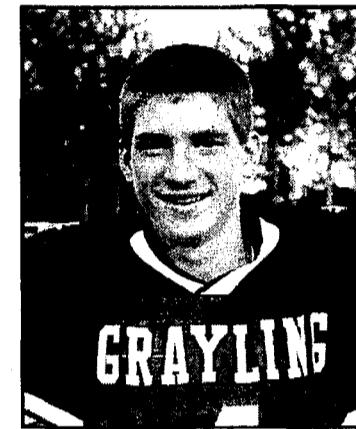
The Vikings also had three all-league "honorable mention" selections in the North East Michigan Conference this year.

Ryan Swope, a senior, had two of them. Swope earned all-conference honorable mentions for his work at defensive line and offensive line. On defense, Swope led the Vikings with 61 tackles (46 solo, 15 assists) and finished with three fumble recoveries. On offense, "He was our best offensive lineman this year," Coach Cousineau said.

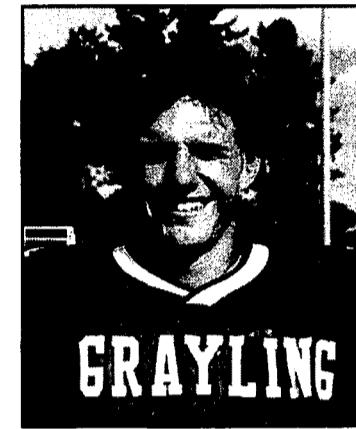
Sophomore Roy Czapek, who



Matt Gabriel
Team Award:
"Most Improved"



R.J. Schmidt
Team Award:
"Most Dedicated"



Larry Baynham
Team Award:
"Most Dedicated"

wasn't moved up from the junior varsity squad until the second half of the season, made an immediate impact on the team's defensive efforts and ended up earning an all-league honorable mention at the linebacker position this year.

"This selection was really special," Coach Cousineau said. "We brought him up in game six and he only played four games with us. The coaches of the teams he played against took notice."

Czapek recorded 35 tackles (26 solo, 9 assists) in his four games on varsity.

Team awards, which were announced at the end-of-the-season football banquet on November 13, included:

- MVP – Juell Joseph, senior. Joseph contributed heavily in Grayling's offense, defense, and special teams. He was the team's leading rusher with 643 yards. Of Grayling's 287 rushing attempts, the Vikings gave the ball to Joseph 137 times. On defense, he was Grayling's third leading tackler with 52 (36 solo, 16 assists). As the squad's primary punter, Joseph punted 40 times throughout the year, covering 1,135 yards for an average of 28.4 yards per punt.
- Most Improved (voted on by team members) – Matt Gabriel, senior. Gabriel, a wide receiver converted to running back this year,

• Viking Hitter Award – Keil

also played defensive back on defense. He registered 13 tackles on defense and on offense he rushed for 88 yards on 23 carries for an average of 3.8 yards per run.

- Michael Goodrich Memorial Award (for best offensive lineman)
- Ryan Swope, senior.
- Viking Hitter Award – Keil

Clough, senior.

- Most Dedicated – R.J. Schmidt and Larry Baynham, both seniors. Baynham played quarterback on offense and safety on defense. Schmidt was a cornerback on defense and played wide receiver on offense, plus he put in some time at quarterback.

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**Wildlife Habitat Council honors Consumers Energy workers****AuSable hydro sites receive National Award**

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Employees at Consumers Energy's AuSable River Hydro Projects received national recognition recently for their contributions to wildlife habitat conservation at the Wildlife Habitat Council's (WHC) 13th Annual Symposium, *Science & Stewardship: Creating Greener Communities*. Consumers Energy demonstrates its commitment to environmental stewardship and increasing native biodiversity by achieving recertification at its AuSable River Hydro sites.

"Companies and communities are working together to sustain natural resources through good stewardship and science-based, cooperative solutions. These ecosystem management techniques result in many benefits, including improved biodiversity conservation and opportunities for environmental education programs. Congratulations to Consumer Energy for their commendable efforts towards the enhancement of wildlife habitat," said Bill Howard, WHC President.

Consumers Energy manages 6,258 acres of wildlife habitat associated with six hydroelectric projects within the AuSable River watershed. The six projects include the Mio, Alcona, Five Channels, Loud, Cooke, and Foote Dams. These projects adopt the management standards and guidelines of the surrounding Huron-Manistee National Forest's Land and Resource Management Plan to achieve a seamless approach to ecosystem management. The Land Management Plan, which includes a Wildlife and Forestry Management Plan, covers all aspects of land management for the AuSable River hydroelectric projects. These plans provide a unique ecosystem approach to wildlife and forest management across ownership boundaries throughout the portion of the AuSable River watershed where the six projects are located.

The Wildlife and Forestry Management Plan also is consistent with the Northern State Bald Eagle Recovery Plan and North American Waterfowl Management Plan to assure positive contributions to broad-scale wildlife management beyond regional needs. Consumers Energy's activities include: old growth forest management; even and uneven-aged forest management; structural habitat improvements; road closures; buffer zone protection; wildlife openings; wetland management;

and individual species management for threatened, endangered or species of concern occurring in the AuSable River basin.

The management plans also contain projects and initiatives such as bald eagle monitoring program and a trumpeter swan reintroduction program that exceed the standards for the hydroelectric industry and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's licensing requirements. Consumers Energy participates in power line closures to limit human disturbance near bald eagle nest sites, conducts intensive monitoring through reproductive and activity monitoring flights, and includes electronic monitoring and traffic counters to measure foot and snowmobile traffic near nest protection zones. The trumpeter swan reintroduction program implemented in conjunction with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and other partner organizations released 14 swans in 1997-1998.

In 1999, Consumers Energy began managing suitable transmission rights-of-way for warm season grasses. After all of the project rights-of-way were surveyed for warm season grass establishment potential, two sites of approximately five acres each were selected. These sites were disked in fall 1999 and planted with a cover crop of annual rye. Following germination of these sites in spring 2000, the rye was disked under, conditioning the soil and providing a good seed bed. A warm season grass drill was used to sow a crop of big bluestem, little bluestem and Indiangrass. Both sites germinated and good stands of the warm season mix were established. Two similar plantings were completed in 2001 and two remaining sites

are slated for planting in 2002 and 2003.

The AuSable River hydroelectric projects are included as "watchable wildlife" viewing areas in Michigan's Wildlife Viewing Guide. Consumers Energy cooperates with the USDA Forest Service and other entities in the construction and maintenance of these areas and coordinates its wildlife objectives to provide viewing opportunities. For example, volunteers place osprey platforms at several locations that benefit the waterfowl while allowing visitors to safely view the wildlife from a distance.

AuSable River Hydro Projects was one of 111 sites recognized at the 2001 Symposium. Since 1990, WHC has certified 288 sites worldwide. The certification program recognizes outstanding wildlife habitat management and environmental education efforts at corporate sites, and offers third-party validation of the benefits of such programs. Certification requirements are strict and require that sites apply for periodic renewal.

The Wildlife Habitat Council is a nonprofit, non-lobbying organization dedicated to increasing the quality and amount of wildlife habitat on corporate, private and public lands. WHC devotes its resources to building partnerships with corporations and conservation groups to create solutions that balance the demands of economic growth with the requirements of a healthy, biodiverse and sustainable environment. More than 1.2 million acres in 46 states, Puerto Rico and twelve other countries are managed for wildlife through WHC-assisted projects. For more information, visit WHC's Web site at www.wildlifehc.org.

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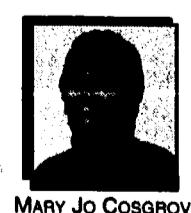
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GMS students to present 'The Rented Christmas'

Grayling Middle School students have been hard at work preparing for their production of "The Rented Christmas" to be presented November 30 and December 1. The script was adapted from the short story, "The Man Who Rented Christmas," by J. Lillian Vanderveer.

Norman and Yvonne Ahern's adaptation of the story is about a man who tries to fill his lonely house with the Christmas spirit by renting everything it takes, includ-

ing a family. Attending one or both performances of "The Rented Christmas" is a great way for all ages to kick off the holiday season. It is a story with "all the trimmings and, of course, a happy ending," said Director Stacey Rosin-Gay.

Tickets are now on sale at Riverland Gear in Grayling and will be available at the door. Prices are \$3 for adults, \$2 for students and kids under the age of four years will be admitted without charge.

Performances will take place in

the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School. The curtain will go up on Friday evening at 7 p.m., with an earlier show on Saturday at 5 p.m.

"We hope the community will come and enjoy an evening filled with the holiday spirit and support our area's young talent," Director Rosin-Gay said. "They've worked hard and they have a great play to show for it."

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The play's Assistant Director is Jessica Wakeley and Director is Stacey Rosin-Gay.



Photo courtesy of Grayling Middle School
Cast and crew of "The Rented Christmas" take a few moments out of their production preparations to pose for this picture. The play runs two nights, November 30 and December 1 in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School.

GRAYLING MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

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6th Grade

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Pizzi, Jessica Ramsey, Mindy Ray, Jacob Reynolds, Jessica Riddle, Robert Schultes, Dustin Schutt, Brandy Schwartz, Britny Schwartz, Storm Shriner, Amanda Smith, Megan Smith, Julie Teal, Erik Trudgeon, Jorden Wakeley, Macie Wakeley, Rachel Ward, Kristina Weiso, Elizabeth Whiting, Jessica Whitterman, Soua Xiong, Kyle Zalucha.

7th Grade

All "A" Honor Roll

Hank Abney, Jeffery Bancroft, Jessica Banda, Alex Brackenbury, Rachel Gibbs, Amanda Hulbert, Amanda Jackson, Ashley Jurkovich, Kelly Lange, Scot Olson, Robert Ramaswamy, Jamie Shaw, Douglas Slater.

"B" Honor Roll

Andrew Anter, Krystal Babbitt, Sakeena Bartkowski, Angela Bickmann, Ashley Bindschatel, Jessica Bobenmoyer, Maranda Bolden, James Boylan, Michael Boylan, Megan Burwick, Erich Christman, Joel Collin, Ross Crawford, Spencer Derenzy, Stephen Dodge, Andrew Felver, Ali Ferrigan, Nicholas Fitzpatrick, David Fryer, Christopher Gildner, Adam Goscicki, Arica Hart, Jeffery Harwood, James Hilbrecht, Charles Hughes, Mallory Johnson, Benjamin Jones, Jonathan Kane, Whitney Keir, Jordan Klemish, Sarah Lange, Carlos Ledesma, Monica Leslie, Bradley McDonald,

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8th Grade

All "A" Honor Roll

Zachary Baker, Chelsea Curriston, Kimberly Long, Amanda Lutz, Michelle McGuire, Jill Seager.

"B" Honor Roll

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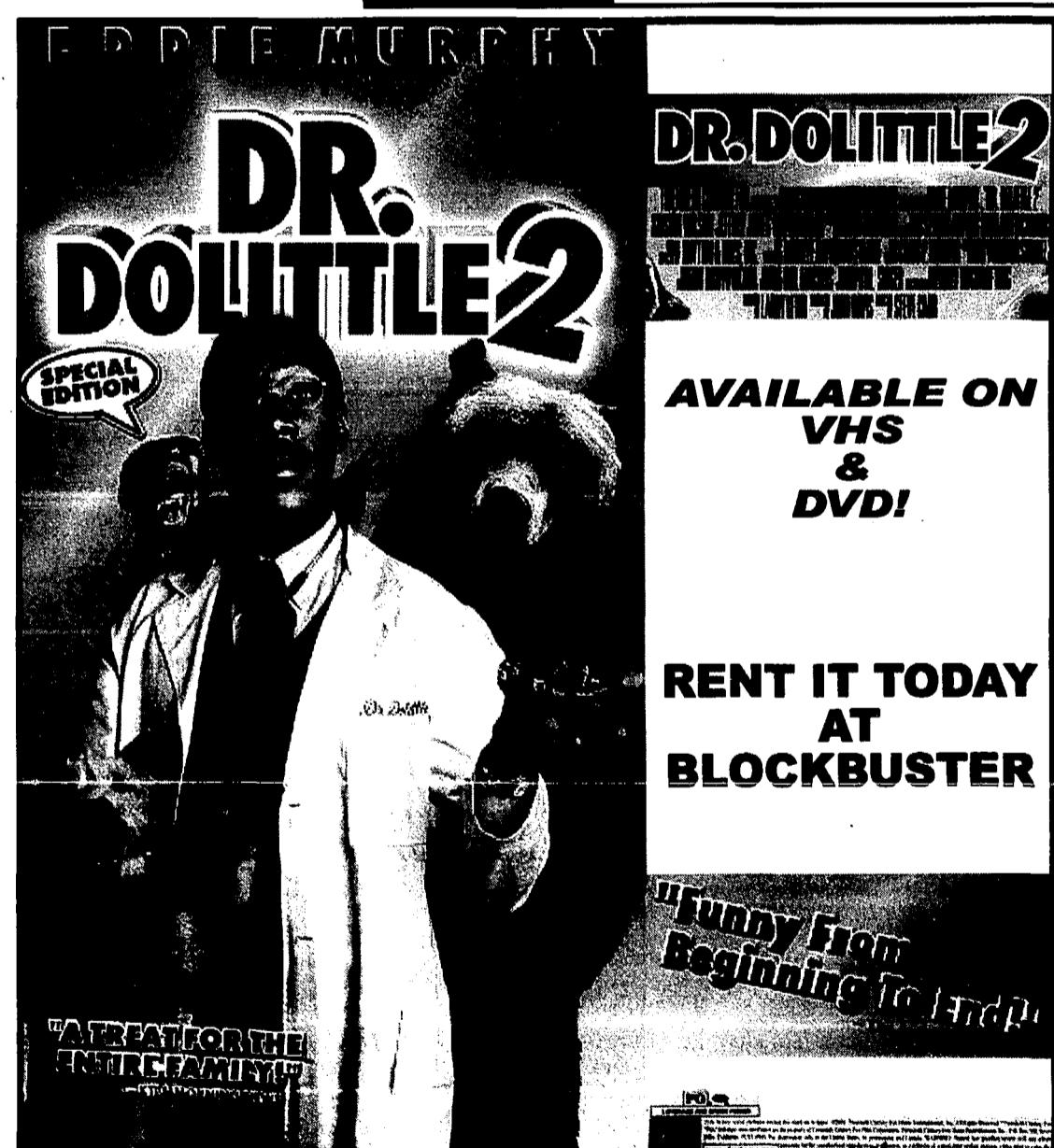
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LEGAL ACTION

SYNOPSIS BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD Regular Meeting November 12, 2001

The regular meeting of the Township Board was called to order at 7:00 PM. Board members present: Riley, Balmes, Moharak, Little and Hartman. There were 7 guests present.

Motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Seconded and carried.

Reports given by the Treasurer, Supervisor, on the Fire Department, DPW and Planning/Zoning.

There were 10 pieces of correspondence.

Old Business:

1. Discussion regarding paving of the parking area outside the offices and commu-

nity center. We have the money set aside but waiting to see if we will be receiving any grant monies to help with the paving. If we were not going to get any grant monies, the board would like to pave the parking area in the spring.

2. Report regarding township insurance policy for the next year with price to be about the same as last year.

New Business:

1. Motion by Moharak to endorse a resolution from the H.I.A.C. concerning the septic systems around Higgins Lake. The Resolution asks the Health Departments to monitor septic tanks within 500' of the lake and check to make sure they are up to code. This Resolution would go to the County Commissioners. Seconded and passed.

2. Motion by Moharak and seconded by Little to authorize the Supervisor to spread the assessment rolls on the winter taxes. Motion carried.

3. Motion to approve the bid from Terry Beardslee in the amount of \$5,882 to replace the heating/air conditioning unit in the

Community Center. Seconded and carried.

4. Moharak will have books to give away to township residents the weekend before Christmas, hours corresponding to those of the transfer site.

5. Motion to pay the AP bills. Seconded and carried.

6. Motion to transfer \$19,000 to the Fire Department due to other funds. Seconded and carried.

Motion adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Sharon K. Hartman
Clerk

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Corporation, mortgagee, dated June 25, 2001 and recorded July 3, 2001 in Liber 540, Page 274-283, Crawford County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota FKA Norwest Bank Minnesota by assignment dated October 22, 2001 and submitted to and recorded by Crawford County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Sixty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Six and 58/100 Dollars (\$63,936.58) including interest at the rate of 10.65% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on January 9, 2002.

The premises are located in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

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ty is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: November 29, 2001
ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota FKA Norwest Bank Minnesota, As Assignee

2501 Rochester Court
Troy, MI 48083
(248)457-1000
File No. 221.0282

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Dated: November 1, 2001
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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VESEP guides students to careers



Mike Bowers of Sterling, David Potter of Roscommon, and Patricia Monroe of Fairview, all 15 years of age last summer, complete one of many automotive tasks required in this component of the VESEP Career Camp.

After spending some time under the hood of a car, Patricia Monroe does not think she will become an auto mechanic.

Changing oil, fixing flat tires, and doing all of those other things to keep a car on the road, are not in her future, but that stuff was "fun to learn," and prepared her for any car trouble she might run into, she said.

"I'm pretty sure that I can take care of any basic thing that might go wrong," the 15-year old Fairview sophomore said. "Now I know when to add oil and why I need to check tire pressure."

Monroe learned about basic care and maintenance in the Vocational Educational Summer Career Camp Exploration Program (VESEP) through COOR ISD (Crawford, Oscoda, Ogemaw and Roscommon Counties Intermediate School District).

VESEP gave Monroe, and about 60 other students from different schools in the district, a chance to explore careers in automotive, pub-

lic safety, building trades, health, marketing and employability skills, computers, and theatrical arts.

The program is structured to give students a taste of the real world, Tammy Gerdes, coordinator for the program said. "They just don't sit in class, but learn what really goes on in each of those professions."

Gerdes explained, "The teachers act as employers and students are treated as employees. The students get paid for participating just like a real job."

Students earn money (about minimum wage), for attendance, showing up "to work" every day and "working" -- class participation.

"They are treated like they would be in a real job situation," Gerdes said. "If they do not fully participate, their pay is docked."

The goal of VESEP is to keep students in school. By exploring different careers, they learn the importance of finishing high school and going on to college or a technical

school.

"We follow up with the students during the school year," said Gerdes. "If they have developed a career interest, we want to make sure they take the right classes to reach their goals."

Students from Crawford-Ausable, Houghton Lake, Mio, Fairview, Gerrish-Higgins, and West Branch-Rose City schools attended the program last summer, said COOR ISD superintendent, Bob Jones.

The setting at Kirtland Community College is a new experience for many of the students, Jones said. "Students get a feel for what life is like on a college campus," Jones remarked. "They find they are comfortable being on campus, and that helps encourage them to continue with their education after high school."

For more information on the VESEP program, call the COOR ISD office at (989) 275-5881.



Eddy Pennell, age 15 of West Branch, assembles his computer with care, knowing that when completed, he gets to take it home.

FREDERIC TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Frederic Township Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 7564 Co. Road 612, Frederic, MI on Tuesday, December 11, 2001 at 5:00 P.M.

The purpose is to review and correct any clerical error or mutual mistakes of fact on assessments.

Nancy L. Bindschadler
Township Clerk

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LEGAL ACTION

RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Meeting held on the 29th day of October, 2001 Grayling, Michigan

Meeting called to order by Mayor Palmer at 7:30 P.M.

Members Present: Palmer, Hayes, Brown, Wyman.

Members Absent: Banda.

Also in Attendance: Allen Lowe, City Manager, Kay Ellen King, City Clerk, Caleb Casey, Tom Welman, Bob Butzin, Roger Mosher, Jerry Respeck.

Public Hearing, None.

Approval of Consent Agenda.

a. Revenue/Expenditure Report for September 2001

b. 911 Activity Report for September 2001.

c. Grayling Housing Comm. Minutes of September 25, 2001

d. Leaf Pick-up Day for City Residents 01-157

Moved by Brown, supported by Wyman to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 1, motion carried.

Approval of Regular Agenda.

01-158

Moved by Hayes, supported by Brown to approve the regular agenda with the addition of having a Closed Session at the end of the meeting to consider the purchase of real property. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Abstain: 1, motion carried.

01-159

Moved by Brown, supported by Hayes that the minutes of the meeting of October 8, 2001 be approved as presented. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Abstain: 1, motion carried.

Communications to the Council.

a. Water/sewer Revenue Comparison

b. BC/BS Analysis

c. Chamber of Commerce sent a letter giving a list of organizations and businesses who need to be on the Certificate of Liability Insurance for the through town trail. Council would like more information before making a decision.

d. R.O.P. Grayling Police Unit letter.

Old Business.

a. City Hall Update. The City Manager has talked with Kent Gray. They are still interested in developing the Bear Archery property. DKL's option with the owner expires on October 31, 2002. Will keep Council updated.

b. Health Enterprises of Michigan, Inc. Decision of Council. This was discussed and there is no change from the last meeting.

c. Policy Manual Questions. Some questions were asked from the Police Department

on the policy manual to the Police Chief. Will table until the Police Chief is present to discuss the matter.

d. North Down River Road Project Update. The City Manager met with Don Babcock and the engineers on the project. They are asking for more money from the City for this project. The Council has already committed \$82,000.00 for this project and would like more information before making a decision.

New Business.

a. Letter of Understanding between the City of Grayling and Teamsters Local 214 DPW Unit regarding participating in the employers health care program.

01-161

Moved by Brown, supported by Wyman to approve the Letter of Understanding between the City of Grayling and Teamsters Local 214 DPW Unit. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Abstain: 1, motion carried.

01-162

Moved by Brown, supported by Wyman to give this choice of the employers health care program to all employees of the City. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Abstain: 1, motion carried.

b. Call-Out Policy for the DPW. After much discussion the following was decided.

01-163

Moved by Brown, supported by Wyman to adopt a Weekend On-Call Policy. Ayes: 3, Nays: 1, (Palmer) Abstain: 0, Abstain: 1, motion carried.

Citizens who wish to speak.

a. Mr. Butzin asked Council Members if they could speak louder so they can be heard in the back of the room.

Reports from ZBA, Planning Committee, Parks Committee

a. Ms. Brown gave an update on the Planning Commission.

b. Ms. Brown have an update on the Parks Committee.

Reports from Manager & Council Members.

a. The City Manager has talked with Jim Downer and there will be a meeting at the Grayling Township on Wednesday, November 14th at 7:00 PM to discuss the airport.

b. The City Manager had a meeting to discuss the future of the Grayling Reel property. Will bring more information to Council at a later date.

c. Ms. Palmer would like a motion to go into Closed Session to consider the purchase of real property.

01-164

Moved by Wyman, supported by Brown to go into Closed Session to consider the purchase of real property at 8:35 P.M.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Palmer, Wyman, Brown, Hayes. Nays: None, Abstain: Banda, Motion carried.

01-165

Moved by Brown, supported by Wyman to adjourn Closed Session and return to Open Session at 8:47 P.M.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Palmer, Wyman, Brown, Hayes. Nays: None, Abstain: Banda, Motion carried.

Announcements

Adjournment

LIBRARY NOTICE BIDS FOR COMPUTERS

The Crawford County Library Board will be releasing Bid Documents for Computer Workstations and accessories on December 3, 2001 to bidders capable of providing and installing a quantity of computers for the new Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library.

Bid Documents may be picked up at the Crawford County Treasurer's Office 200 W. Michigan Ave., MI 49738

Bids will be due at the same location on December 18, 2001 at or before 2:00 p.m. A public bid opening will be held at the Crawford County Courthouse at 2:30 p.m. on December 18, 2001.

Barbara Clark Greene, President
Crawford County Library Board

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Lovells Township Comprehensive Plan 7:00 P.M. Thursday, December 20, 2001 Lovells Township Hall 8405 Twin Bridge Road

A public hearing of the Lovells Township Zoning Board has been scheduled for 7:00 P.M. Thursday, December 20, 2001 at the Lovells Township Hall. The purpose of the public hearing is to accept comments on the draft Lovells Township Comprehensive Plan.

All interested persons are invited to attend the hearing and comment on the Comprehensive Plan and accompanying Future Land Use Map, which are available for inspection by contacting the township office at (989) 348-9215. The township office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Written comments may be addressed to Dale Gauthier, Jr., Lovells Township Zoning Administrator, 8405 Twin Bridge Road, Grayling, MI 49738 and should be received prior to the public hearing.

KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS

Kirtland Community College is accepting proposals for rubbish collection and removal services from truck-lift containers for the annual period beginning January 1, 2002 and extending through June 30, 2004 for the M-TEC facility located at 60 Livingston Blvd. in Gaylord, Michigan.

Proposals will be received until Thursday, December 6, 2001 at 3:30 p.m. in Kirtland Community College's physical plant office at which time they will be open and publicly read. All proposals must be submitted on the official bid sheet. Bid documents may be obtained in the physical plant office in the Art/Maintenance Building or by calling 989-275-5000, Ext. 263 during regular business hours. The college reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals and/or re-bid the project. Proposals must remain firm for a period of thirty days after the official bid opening.

Any questions regarding this project should be directed to JoAnn Comerford, Director of Physical Plant at 989-275-5000, Ext. 249.

01-166
Moved by Brown, supported by Hayes that the meeting be adjourned.

Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:48PM.

Kay Ellen King
City Clerk

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Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on December 19, 2001.

The premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

The East 2 acres of that part of the West

1/2 of the West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4, Section 16, T26N, R2W, lying Southerly of M-72 Highway. ALSO that part of the East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 16, T26N, R2W, lying Southerly of M-72 Highway.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined to be abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgage can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: November 8, 2001
ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A.

As Assigned
2501 Rochester Court
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File No. 199,0280

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Gary Sheldon, a single man of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Empire National Bank, now known as The Huntington National Bank dated the 24th day of March, A.D. 2000, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 10th day of April, A.D. 2001.

The premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Grayling Housing Commission will be holding two public hearings on its Agency Plan. The Annual Plan is a compilation of the Housing Commissioner's functional policies. The Five-year Plan is a guide for Housing Commission activities in the future.

As these plans are constructed, the Housing Commission must allow public review of these policies and allow for comment. Therefore, as of November 1, the Agency Plan and its constituent plans will be available for public review at the Housing Commission's office, located at 308 Lawndale Drive. At the regularly scheduled meetings, on November 13th and December 11th, at 6:30 p.m. public hearings will be held in order to receive any public comments on the plans.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Crawford County Road Commission will receive sealed bids until 9:30 a.m. (for a bid opening during the regular meeting which commences at 10:00 a.m.) on Thursday, December 6, 2001, at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648, for the following items:

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ONE (1) PICKUP BODY TRUCK 6100#GVWR MINIMUM

Specifications may be obtained by contacting the Crawford County Road Commission at the above address.

Submit bids in a sealed envelope that is clearly marked with the words: "2002 Extended Cab Pickup Bid". The Crawford Road Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in the bid, to waive details in the specifications and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

Board of Crawford County Commissioners:

Thomas Perry, Chairman
John Hartman, Vice-Chairman
Ken Riehle, Commissioner

KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS

Kirtland Community College is accepting proposals for custodial services for the M-TEC facility located at 60 Livingston Blvd., Gaylord, Michigan. Proposals shall be for an annual period beginning January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002.

Proposals will be received until Thursday, December 13, 2001 at 3:30 p.m. in Kirtland Community College's physical plant office at which time they will be open and publicly read. All proposals must be submitted on the official bid sheet. Bid documents and the cleaning schedule may be obtained in the physical plant office in the Art/Maintenance Building or by calling 989-275-5000, Ext. 263 during regular business hours. A walk through open house will be held at the Gaylord facility on Thursday, December 6 at 10:00 a.m. The college reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals and/or re-bid the project. Proposals must remain firm for a period of thirty days after the official bid opening.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Crawford County Road Commission in conjunction with the Crawford County Transit Authority and the City of Grayling will be holding a Public Hearing during the regular scheduled Road Commission Board meeting, December 6, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. Meeting location shall be at the Crawford County Road Commission office in Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648.

Purpose for the public hearing will be to address and approve the selection of proposed projects eligible for TEA 21 funding. Upon completion the Board will take the recommended proposed projects to the Regional Task Force for Consideration.

Additional information may be obtained from the Road Commission Office, Road Commission phone (989) 348-2281 or fax (989) 348-6933. Prepared for the Crawford County Road Commission, Crawford County Transit Authority and the City of Grayling.

Cc
Crawford County Transit Authority
City of Grayling
Township of Crawford County
Crawford County Board of Commissioners

Official certification has been received from the Michigan Secretary of State that the Township of Grayling has a population of 2000 or more according to the most recent United States' census and is therefore eligible to be incorporated as a charter township under section 3a of the charter Township Act, 1947 PA 359 (MCL 42.3a). The township board has the right to exercise one of three options concerning status as a charter town-

ship, as follows:

1. Adopt by majority vote a resolution opposed to incorporation as a charter township.
2. Adopt by majority vote a resolution of intent to approve incorporation as a charter township.
3. Adopt by majority vote a resolution to place before the electorate at the next regular or special township election the question of incorporation as a charter township.

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& Wimpy's

PC Computer

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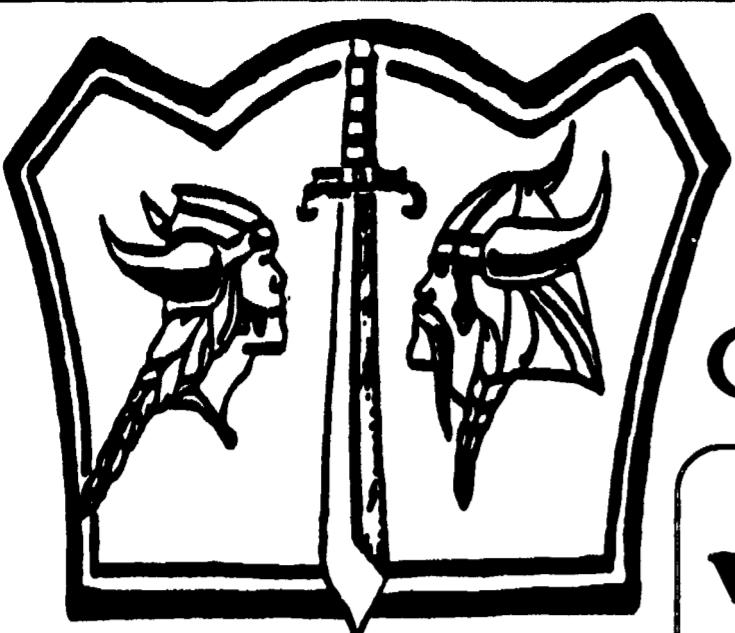
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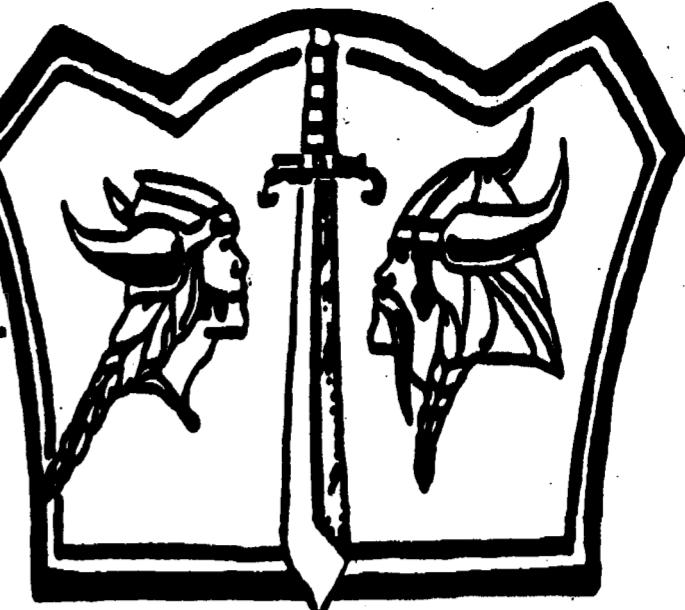
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2001-2002 Winter SPORTS CALENDAR

Grayling Schools Sports Calendar



Grayling Vikings Varsity & Junior Varsity Boys Basketball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Tuesday	December 4, 2001	Roscommon	A	6:00	4:45
Friday	December 7, 2001	Gaylord	H	6:00	
Tuesday	December 11, 2001	Standish Sterling	H	6:15	
Friday	December 14, 2001	Bay City John Glenn	A	6:15	2:15
Friday	January 4, 2002	Gladwin	H	6:15	
Tuesday	January 8, 2002	Pinconning	H	6:15	
Friday	January 11, 2002	West Branch Ogemaw Heights	A	6:15	4:15
Tuesday	January 15, 2002	Houghton Lake	A	6:00	3:30
Friday	January 18, 2002	Tawas	A	6:15	3:30
Tuesday	January 22, 2002	Oscoda	H	6:15	
Friday	January 25, 2002	Standish Sterling	A	6:15	4:00
Tuesday	January 29, 2002	Houghton Lake	H	6:00	
Friday	February 1, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	H	6:15	
Friday	February 8, 2002	Gladwin	A	6:15	4:00
Tuesday	February 12, 2002	Pinconning	A	6:15	4:00
Friday	February 15, 2002	West Branch Ogemaw Heights	H	6:15	
Tuesday	February 19, 2002	Gaylord	A	6:00	4:45
Friday	February 22, 2002	Tawas	H	6:15	
Tuesday	February 26, 2002	Roscommon	H	6:00	
Friday	March 1, 2002	Oscoda	A	6:15	3:30

Grayling Vikings Junior Varsity & Freshman Volleyball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	December 12, 2001	Gaylord	H	6:15	
Wednesday	December 17, 2001	Pinconning	H	6:15	
Thursday	December 20, 2001	Standish (Middle School)	H	6:15	
Monday	January 7, 2002	West Branch Ogemaw Heights	A	6:15	4:30
Wednesday	January 9, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	H	6:15	
Monday	January 14, 2002	Tawas	A	6:15	3:30
Wednesday	January 16, 2002	Gladwin	A	6:15	4:30
Saturday	January 19, 2002	Kalkaska (JV ONLY)	A	9:00	7:45
Wednesday	January 23, 2002	Oscoda	H	6:15	
Monday	January 28, 2002	Pinconning	A	6:15	4:00
Wednesday	January 30, 2002	Houghton Lake	H	6:30	
Wednesday	February 4, 2002	Petrosky & Charlevoix (JV ONLY)	A	6:00	4:00
Wednesday	February 6, 2002	Charlevoix & Petrosky (FR ONLY)	H	6:00	
Wednesday	February 13, 2002	Standish-Sterling	A	6:15	4:15
Monday	February 18, 2002	West Branch Ogemaw Heights	H	6:15	
Wednesday	February 20, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	A	6:15	3:40
Wednesday	February 20, 2002	Tawas	H	6:15	
Wednesday	February 20, 2002	Gladwin	H	6:15	
Wednesday	February 20, 2002	Oscoda	A	6:15	3:30

Underline denotes site of away meet

Grayling Vikings Freshman Boys Basketball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	December 5, 2001	Roscommon	A	6:00	4:15
Friday	December 7, 2001	Gaylord	A	6:30	2:15
Monday	December 17, 2001	Bay City John Glenn	A	6:15	4:00
Thursday	December 20, 2001	Standish Sterling	A	6:15	4:00
Monday	January 7, 2002	West Branch Ogemaw Heights	H	6:15	
Thursday	January 17, 2002	Tawas	H	6:15	
Monday	January 21, 2002	Oscoda	H	6:15	
Thursday	January 24, 2002	Pinconning	H	6:15	
Friday	February 1, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	H	6:30	
Monday	February 4, 2002	Standish Sterling	H	6:15	
Thursday	February 7, 2002	West Branch Ogemaw Heights	A	6:15	4:15
Thursday	February 14, 2002	Tawas	A	6:15	3:40
Wednesday	February 20, 2002	Gaylord	H	6:00	
Thursday	February 21, 2002	Oscoda	A	6:15	3:30
Monday	February 25, 2002	Gladwin	A	6:15	4:15
Wednesday	February 27, 2002	Roscommon	H	6:00	

Grayling Vikings 8th Grade Boys Basketball

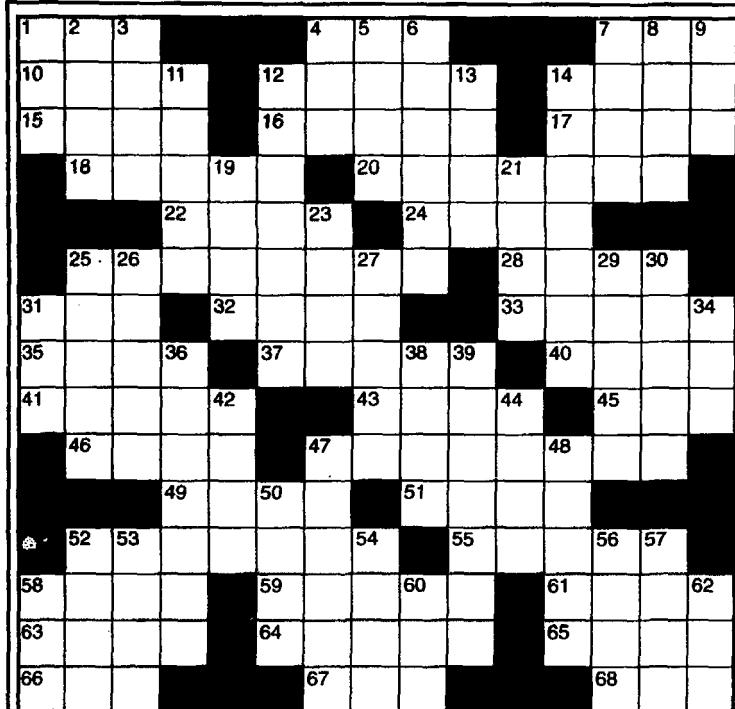
Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Thursday	November 29, 2001	Gladwin & Whitehouse	H	6:00	4:30
Saturday	December 1, 2001	Roscommon	A	9:00	8:00
Wednesday	December 5, 2001	Houghton Lake & Petoskey	H	6:00	
Saturday	December 8, 2001	Mason County Invitational	A	10:00	4:00
Thursday	December 13, 2001	Gladwin & Bay City John Glenn	A	6:00	4:15
Saturday	December 15, 2001	Charlevoix	A	TBA	
Thursday	December 20, 2001	Roscommon & Gladwin	H	6:00	
Thursday	January 10, 2002	Ogemaw Heights & Standish	H	6:00	
Saturday	January 12, 2002	Oscoda Invitational	A	10:00	7:00
Thursday	January 17, 2002	Pinconning & Oscoda	A	6:00	3:30
Saturday	January 19, 2002	Itasca Invitational	A	10:00	6:00
Thursday	January 24, 2002	Tawas	H	6:00	
Saturday	January 26, 2002	Gaylord Invitational	A	9:30	8:00
Thursday	January 31, 2002	Clare	A	6:00	4:00
Saturday	February 2, 2002	Gladwin Invitational	A	9:00	7:15
Saturday	February 9, 2002	NEMO Conference Meet	H	TBA	
Wednesday	February 13, 2002	Team Districts	TBA	TBA	
Saturday	February 16, 2002	Individual Districts	TBA	TBA	

Grayling Vikings Varsity Wrestling

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Thursday	December 5, 2001	Gladwin & Whitehouse	H	6:00	
Saturday	December 7, 2001	Roscommon	A	9:00	
Wednesday	December 12, 2001	Houghton Lake & Petoskey	H	6:00	
Saturday	December 15, 2001	Mason County Invitational	A	10:00	4:00
Thursday	December 13, 2001	Gladwin & Bay City John Glenn	A	6:00	4:15
Saturday	December 15, 2001	Charlevoix	A	TBA	
Thursday	December 20, 2001	Roscommon & Gladwin	H	6:00	
Thursday	January 10, 2002	Ogemaw Heights & Standish	H	6:00	
Saturday	January 12, 2002	Oscoda Invitational	A	10:00	7:00
Thursday	January 17, 2002	Pinconning & Oscoda	A	6:00	3:30
Saturday	January 19, 2002	Itasca Invitational	A	10:00	6:00
Thursday	January 24, 2002	Tawas	H	6:00	
Saturday	January 26, 2002	Gaylord Invitational	A	9:30	8:00
Thursday	January 31, 2002	Clare	A	6:00	4:00
Saturday	February 2, 2002	Gladwin Invitational	A	9:00	7:15
Saturday	February 9, 2002	NEMO Conference Meet	H	TBA	
Wednesday	February 13, 2002	Team Districts	TBA	TBA	
Saturday	February 16, 2002	Individual Districts	TBA	TBA	

FEATURES

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- Kettle and Rainey
- Wallace's hero
- Pivotal
- Fall into an easy chair
- Rebound
- Pay
- Corona
- Bryant, of OJ ads
- First name in lingerie
- Katmandu's country
- Parodies
- She scats with cats
- Guided missile
- Able to happen
- Stadium level
- Appreciative taster's cry
- cat (form of baseball)
- 'The Fox And The Grapes' fabler
- Guitarist Clapton
- Seeds
- Check end
- Wyoming mountain
- Scout Carson et al.
- Naval rank (abbr.)
- Son of Isaac
- Climbed
- Govt. agents
- Sandusky's waterfront
- Comestibles
- Downs

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

HOROSCOPES

For the week of November 29 thru December 5th

ARIES

(Mar. 21- April 20)

Your expectations will be greater than the actual outcome. Try not to show your disappointment or you may unintentionally hurt someone's feelings. You may have to reevaluate your personal partnership. Your dreams this week will be very intense, try to remember them.

Your lucky day this week will be Monday

TAURUS

(Apr. 21- May 21)

Let go of those who are holding you back or refusing to support your goals. You need strength not weakness around you. You're moving in the right group and in the right direction. You can make new friends if you just take the time to find out what and who you really like. Pay attention to any dreams involving those close to you, it may be prophetic for them.

Your lucky day this week will be Friday

GEMINI

(May 22-June 21)

Be careful who you befriend and who you tell your secrets to. You need to be discreet about your private affairs. However, you must also be fair with your emotional partners. This is a week where you are vulnerable to emotional swings, more so than is normal.

Your lucky day this week will be Sunday

CANCER

(June 22-July 22)

One-sided infatuations will plague you. You are best to keep your thoughts to yourself regarding those you are attracted to. Look into the possibilities of creating your own business. You do much better when you're in control.

Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday

LEO

(July 23-Aug 22)

Your best efforts will unfold through real estate opportunities. Residential moves will be to your advantage. Family members may not agree with your plans. Be cautious when dealing with colleagues. Don't let situations get out of control.

Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday

VIRGO

(Aug. 23 - Sept. 23)

Be prepared to use your intellectual charm in order to get what you want. Compliments will help you win favors. You'll learn valuable information if you are open to other cultures and ways of doing things. Travel will be the key to knowledge.

Your lucky day this week will be Sunday

LIBRA

(Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)

You will have an abundance of energy. Immerse yourself in a work-related project where you will receive the biggest payback. You can gain popularity with superiors and coworkers. Dreams this week will seem very confusing, unless you can identify the symbols correctly.

Your lucky day this week will be Friday

SCORPIO

(Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

Your energy will surprise others this week. Go after your goals wholeheartedly and don't be afraid to include coworkers in your efforts. Your achievements will be great if you focus carefully.

Your lucky day this week will be Saturday

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)

Don't spend too much on your lover or on luxury items that you really don't need. Travel will be rewarding as long as you go places that offer a certain amount of knowledge.

Your lucky day this week will be Monday

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)

You will have demands put on you at home. Try to be patient and do what's necessary as quickly as possible. There is no point arguing with others. Concentrate on the end result.

Your lucky day this week will be Thursday

AQUARIUS

(Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

Your unrealistic view of your financial situation will lead to overextending yourself. Don't get involved in dubious joint ventures that have little chance of being successful.

Your lucky day this week will be Friday

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago November 30, 1978

Mrs. Beverly I. Harwood, Lake Orion, was seriously injured in an accidental shooting mishap last Thursday in Lovells Township. According to Sheriff's Dept. deputies, Mrs. Harwood was inside a trailer when a gun being handled outside discharged, pierced the trailer and struck her. She was rushed to Mercy Hospital in Grayling by her husband and son where emergency surgery was performed. Although her immediate condition was termed "critical," she is listed in good condition now, according to Lt. Robert Ruddy, Crawford County Sheriff's Department. Two suspects are in custody in connection with a breaking and entering and auto theft incident occurring late last week at George's Auto Service here in Grayling. According to a Sheriff's Dept. report, one adult and a juvenile were apprehended by State Police from the Cheboygan post when the stolen vehicle they were driving slid off I-75 into a ditch. Investigation of the incident disclosed, in addition to the theft of the automobile, other robbery efforts and the destruction of a garage door through which the stolen car was driven. Investigations into the incident continues.

46 Years Ago December 1, 1955

Grayling's new gymnasium will be dedicated tonight during the half-time of the varsity game between the Grayling Vikings and the East Jordan Red Devils. A full gym is anticipated for the first basketball game on the new floor which is a conference contest of the Northern Class C conference. With a seating capacity of 1,408 plus several hundred more on folding bleachers on the gym floor level, the new building is expected to handle most any crowd that wishes to attend a basketball game including tournament play for which a request has been made to the State High School Athletic Association.

Among the students at G.H.S. the following were lucky enough to get their bucks: Bill Holzman, a 7-pointer, Ron Kellogg, a spikehorn, Bill Fairbotham, a spike, Orlin Lucksted, a 6-pointer, Wayne Dutton, a 4-pointer, and Don Bancroft, an 8-pointer.

69 Years Ago December 2, 1932

Fire broke out yesterday forenoon in that part of the old Burton Hotel building occupied by A.E. Hendrickson as a tailor shop. It started around the chimney and when first noticed smoke was rolling from the top of the building.

The fire surged through the upstairs rooms and completely destroyed the interior of the building, but by the fine work of the fire department, which was on the job in no time, the flames were confined to the inside and were soon gotten under control. The building is one of Grayling's old landmarks and at present is owned by Rasmus Rasmussen. The loss is estimated at \$1,500, which was covered by insurance, however Mr. Hendrickson succeeded in removing the contents of his tailor shop to safety, so he had no loss.

The hour for school to begin has been changed from 8:30 to 9:00 o'clock, the change going into effect last Monday. Formerly school commenced at 8:30 in the morning and dismissed at 11:30 for lunch, an hour and a half being allowed, and the afternoon classes starting at one. Now school begins at 9 and dismisses to 12:00 noon. Afternoon classes are called at 1:15 and dismissed at the usual hour, 4:00 p.m., five minutes being taken off each afternoon class. We hope this change will be more convenient for the students, and will overcome much of the tardiness, which has become rather noticeable.

Skating is great at the Winter Sports Park. The new skating rink is 280x150 feet in size and is just like glass. Scores of people, both young and old have been enjoying

this sport for the past week, both day and night. It is an artificial body and the water seeps in from the ground and there is no danger of the ice breaking in. This is a pleasant assurance to parents as all element of danger of breaking through the ice is eliminated. Get into the game and enjoy this great sport. Plenty of parking space.

Roy Parmalee, pitcher for the New York Giants, stopped off in Grayling last week one day for gas. He happened in at Schoonover's garage and "Fuzzy" Reynolds recognized him. Of course, they talked baseball a few minutes. Parmalee has been deer hunting in Upper Michigan.

92 Years Ago December 2, 1909

L.T. Wright has moved his office into rooms over Salling Hanson and Co.'s Hardware Store.

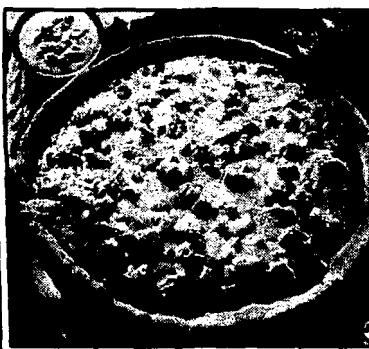
How many noticed the total eclipse of the moon early Saturday morning?

Prof. Whitney, Superintendent of our schools, proved his expert marksmanship in killing his first deer last week.

R. Hanson returned last week from a flying trip to Monroe, La. where he was looking over the business of the Grayling Lumber Co.

DID YOU KNOW?

An early investor in the British tea trade was a gentleman by the name of Benjamin Franklin or might the blend of tea be Franklin?



RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Buffalo-Style Chicken Pizza

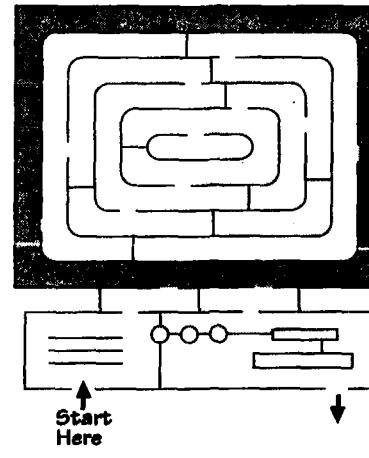
2 cups diced cooked chicken
1/3 cup cayenne pepper sauce
2 tbsp. melted butter
2 (12-inches each) pre-baked pizza shells
1 cup pizza or barbecue sauce

2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese
1/2 cup diced celery
1/2 cup blue cheese or ranch dressing

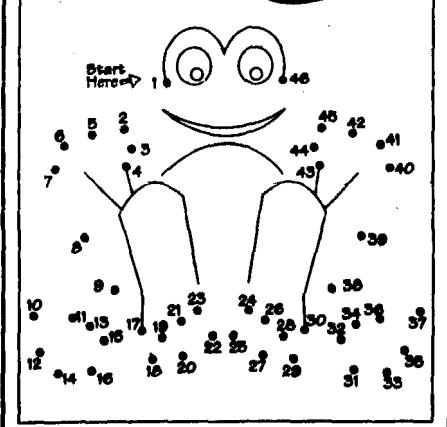
In bowl, toss chicken with cayenne sauce and butter. Place pizza shells on baking sheets. Spread shells with pizza sauce. Sprinkle with chicken mixture, cheese and celery. Bake at 400°F for 15 minutes. Drizzle with dressing. Cut into wedges to serve.



MAZE



CONNECT the dots



Adopt a Pet



Hunter is a two-year old neutered male walker hound. He is great with other dogs and very loving with people. There are many puppies, kittens, cats and dogs at the Animal Shelter waiting for a loving person or family to adopt them. Please call 348-4117 or stop in and meet a new friend.

Another session of "Pet Photos with Santa" will take place at the Otsego Township Hall in Waters on Saturday, Dec. 8 from 12 noon to 5 p.m. All proceeds go to help pay daily operating expenses. Volunteers will also be selling a variety of dog and cat related gifts and greeting cards. Call the Shelter for more information or e-mail to: animal_director@yahoo.com. The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is a non-profit organization and welcomes donations. Mail check or money order to: ASCC, P.O. Box 384, Grayling, MI 49738. Our Glen's number is #34024. Sign up today!

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at 508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East)

Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall.

Hours: Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Sun. 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

After hour appointments available.

WEATHER			
Courtesy of the City of Grayling			
Last Week		Extended Forecast	
Date	H	L	Rain
11/21	33	29	
11/22	48	25	
11/23	49	26	
11/24	52	39	
11/25	58	45	0.52
11/26	48	36	0.04
11/27	41	37	0.28
			Rain Rain/Snow Mix
			Mostly Cloudy Scattered Showers Showers

FOR ENTERTAINMENT ONLY

Football Contest 2001-02

Week #12 Winning Games

1. Miami (61)
2. Atlanta (55)
3. Kansas City (54)
4. San Francisco (53)
5. Cleveland (52)
6. Pittsburgh (51)
7. New England (51)
8. Arizona (50)
9. New England (51)
10. Indianapolis (49)
11. Baltimore (48)
12. San Diego (47)
13. Arizona (46)
14. Iowa State (46)
15. Penn State (46)
16. Ohio State (46)

WEEKLY PRIZES

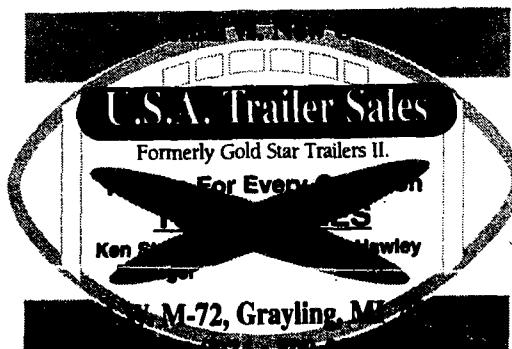
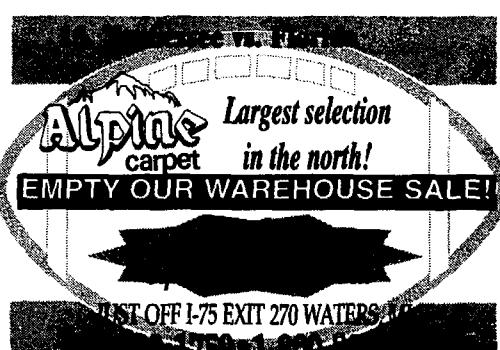
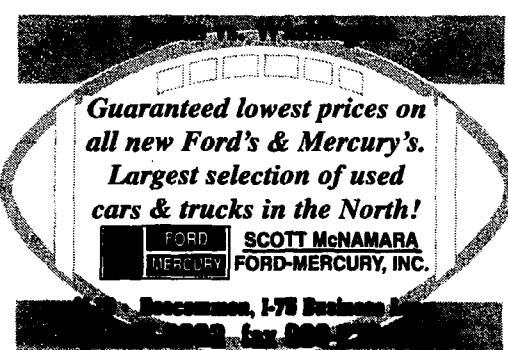
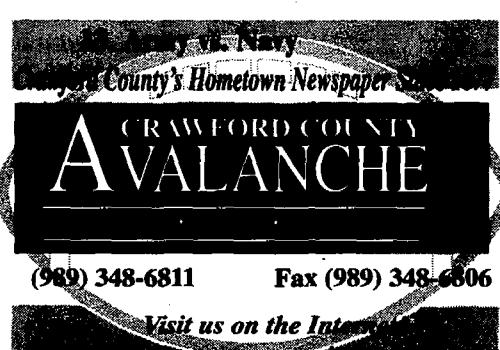
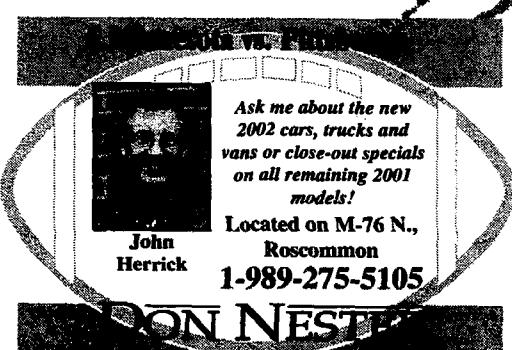
- Sports Cap--Scheer Motors
- FREE 20lb. Propane Cylinder Fill-Up --Fick & Sons
- One free lunch, a \$8.95 value --Grayling Holiday Inn
- \$50--Crawford County Avalanche
- \$10 Gift Cert.--Riverland Gear
- \$5 Gift Cert. good on a 10" or 14" pizza --Buccilli's Pizza
- \$25 Gift Cert.--Comfort Center
- Free lube, oil and filter
- Scott McNamara Ford-Mercury, Inc
- \$10 Gift Cert. --Lucky & Laura's
- \$10 Gift. Cert. -- U.S.A. Trailer Sales

Winner
Lois Jean Davis

13 correct

Paul Elekonich had 12 correct

• 91 Entries



WEEK

#13

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Signature _____

PLEASE NOTE: Advertiser MUST be written in next to team or slip will be VOID!!

Winner

Advertiser

Winner

Advertiser

Winner

Advertiser

Game 1

Game 8

Game 15

Game 2

Game 9

Game 16

Game 3

Game 10

Game 4

Game 11

Game 5

Game 12

Game 6

Game 13

Game 7

Game 14

Tiebreaker 1 Game #1

Tiebreaker 2 game #9

Tiebreaker 3 game #16

Avalanche Football Contest Official Rules

(1) Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Write your picks for the games played, advertisers and tiebreakers (total points scored by both teams) on entry form. Entry form without advertisers listed will be invalid. The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed. If the number of correct picks determine a winner, a drawing will be held to select a single winner. (2) One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford County Avalanche employees are not eligible. (3) Completed entry forms must be returned to the Avalanche office by 5 pm Friday, Monday before each week's games. Mail slot in our door may be used Wednesday or Thursday night after 5 pm and before 9 am. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 5 pm Friday. Mail to Crawford County Avalanche, P.O. Box 400, Grayling, MI 49738. (4) Entries must be on an official entry form as printed in the Avalanche. No purchase necessary to enter. Entry forms are available at the Avalanche office. Winner may claim their prizes at the Avalanche office between 9 am and 5 pm weekdays. Identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming prizes.

ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

Classifieds must be paid for in advance
Display Advertising Rate - \$6.00 per column inch
Deadline for Display Classifieds - 12 noon, Monday
Classifieds by the word rate - \$4.20 for 15 words or
less, 10¢ per each additional word; includes Internet listing:
www.townnews.com/avalanche/
Classifieds by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday

Crawford County Avalanche

1. Real Estate

HOME FOR SALE Three bedroom, one bath on 2.5 acres with cabin on property. Knotty Pine interior, new carpet and linoleum. \$47,000. 989-348-6453. (-29-6/1)



1. Real Estate

MANY NORTHERN MICHIGAN PROPERTIES www.century21grayling.com (1/7/99tf/1)

JUST LISTED FOR LEASE 685 Sq. Ft. Office Space. Three offices. Reception area and restroom. Located in the Grayling Industrial Park. 2307 DuPont, Grayling, Michigan. \$685 per month, includes utilities. Contact Jon at 231-935-2684. (-8-15-22-29/1)

1. Real Estate

H.U.D. APPROVED two, three, and four bedroom homes. Immediate occupancy, financing not a problem. Call 989-344-8810 or toll free 866-615-9511. (3/8/01tf/1)

GOLF COURSE BUILDING LOTS for sale. All lots are one to two acres. \$29,000 to \$49,000. Skyline Ski and Country Club. 989-275-5445 (9/27/01tf/1)

1. Real Estate

KALKASKA 320 acre hunt club. Fully wooded with Spruce, Cedar, Poplar, some hardwoods. Deer, bear, bobcat, turkey, rabbit and partridge country! Six year old 1,600 sq. ft. four bedroom, two bath, deer camp, sleeps 16. Easy drive to Traverse City, golf and skiing. Partnership dissolving, just \$350,000. Call LeSage at Gary Lillie & Associates Realtors. 800-345-6694 or 734-476-0598. To view go to www.garylillie.com (-22-29-6/1)

1. Real Estate

THREE BEDROOM, TWO BATH mobile home for rent in Grayling Mobile Estates. Natural gas, cable TV and well maintained. Section 8 accepted. References required. \$475 per month. Call Ron at 989-348-6761. (11/29/01tf/1)

1. Real Estate

NICE TWO BEDROOM HOME next to AuSable Primary, gas heat, new two car garage, fenced yard. \$450 deposit, \$450 a month, references required, no pets. Call 989-348-6400 after 5. (-29/2)

2. For Rent

ARE YOU HAVING PROBLEMS PAYING YOUR RENT?

IF YOUR INCOME IS BELOW THE LISTED AMOUNTS, WE MAY BE ABLE TO HELP YOU:

1. **15,600**
2. **17,800**
3. **20,050**
4. **22,250**
5. **24,050**
6. **25,800**

Phone (989) 348-9314 for information regarding our Section 8 Voucher Program, or stop by Grayling Housing Commission at 308 Lawndale, Grayling to request an application.

FOR SALE To be moved: 26' x 45' three bedroom 1 1/2 bath ranch home. \$12,000 to Crawl, \$15,000 to basement. Price includes home and move to your foundation house moving by VanDuinen. 989-422-3330 (-29-6-13-20/1)

VACANT WOODED LAND Land Contract Terms \$7,500. 989-348-7355. (11/8/01tf/1)

2. For Rent

TWO BEDROOM MOBILE HOME No pets. \$390 a month plus deposit. Call 989-348-7893. (-22-29/2)

LARGE ONE BEDROOM IN TOWN Very clean. References and deposit required. 348-6552. (-12-6/2)

2. For Rent

Cobble Creek I & II Apartments

is now taking applications for our spacious 1 & 2 bedroom apartment homes. Rent is based on 30% of Income. Our office is located at 140 Cobble Creek Dr. Apt #12, our hours are Monday thru Friday, 9am to 2pm or you can call (989)348-3150 to schedule an appointment.

TDD# 1-800-760-1997



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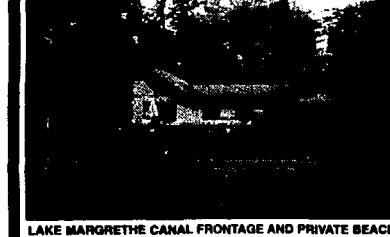


CRAIG HINKLE

EACH OFFICE INDEPENDENTLY OWNED & OPERATED



LOCATION ON 3.1 ACRES Nice Family Home offers 3 Bedrooms, 1 bath with 1412 square feet. Fireplace. Additional cottage 560 sq. ft. with stove and refrigerator. Nice quiet area, just 4 1/2 miles to Beaver Creek Township Park. Also included storage shed plus wood sheds. Close to Higgins Lake. CS-1470 \$78,500



LAKE MARGRETHE CANAL FRONTRAGE AND PRIVATE BEACH With all the extras included. Bed and Breakfast offers 3 bedrooms, 1 bath with 1720 square feet. Includes a large deck and walk-in shower. A family room with wood stove and stone fireplace has a cathedral ceiling (pickett wood) that seats to balcony top. Gable kitchen offers pegged wood floors. Appliances include Replica Hasty Baker cast iron electric stove, trash compactor, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, garbage disposal, built in toaster oven, washer & dryer. Built in antique Macmillan machine made by Sanyo on dining room. CS-1447 \$189,500



A GREAT CENTRAL CITY LOCATION AND JUST ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE AUSABLE RIVER! This 3 bedroom ranch offers convenience and comfort in one. With 1,008 total square feet your family needs are met. Offers 2 solar panels for efficiency heat. Cable TV, city water & city sewer. Conveniently located to parks, shopping, schools and hospital, this home may be perfect for you! \$48,000 CS-1081



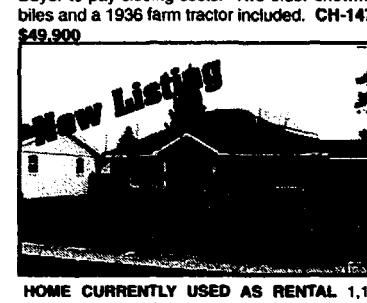
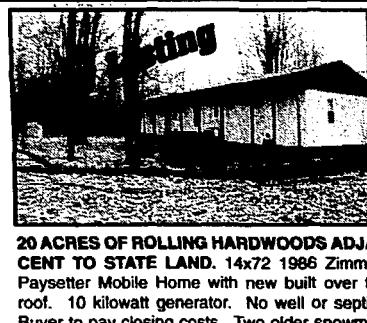
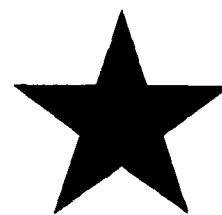
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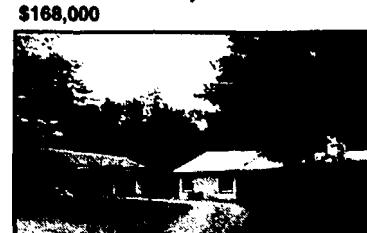
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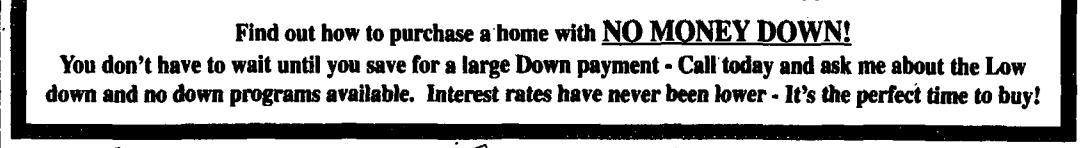
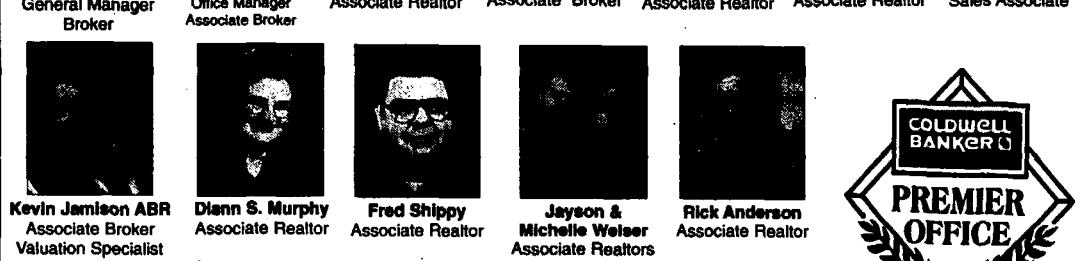
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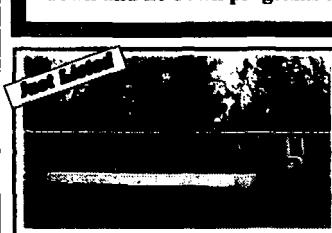


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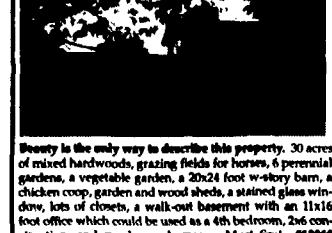
Nice Mobile Near Lake Margrethe Clean mobile on extra large parcel. Ideal setting with this nicely wooded section, within walking distance to the Lake. Mobile was remodeled in 1997. #14595 \$34,900



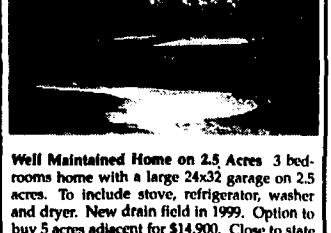
Very Nice Mobile Home Great location close to Grayling, has 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, built over roof so no winter problems, many updates, windows, doors and a 2x2 garage, central air and much more. #14493 \$49,900



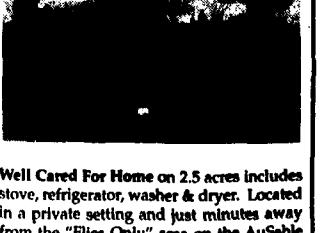
Large Bradford Lake Home 4 Bedroom, 3 bath home built in to offer. Wonderful walk-out basement, hot tub, deck overlooking west side of lake, deck has stairs down to the sandy beach, built-in barbecue, storage shed, 24 foot by 28 foot garage, side walk and paved drive way. #14444 \$38,900



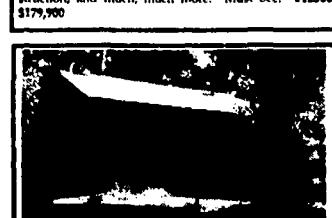
Impressive 3 Bedroom Log Home on 30 acres of mixed hardwoods, rolling fields for hunting, a 10x12 garden shed, a vegetable garden, a 20x24 foot w/entry barn, a chicken coop, garden and wood sheds, a stained glass window, lots of closets, a wall-out basement with an 11x16 foot office which could be used as a 4th bedroom, 2x6 construction, and much, much more. Must See! #12369 \$179,500



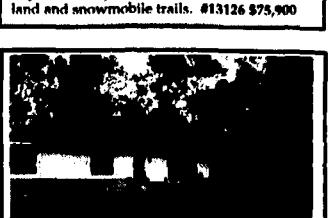
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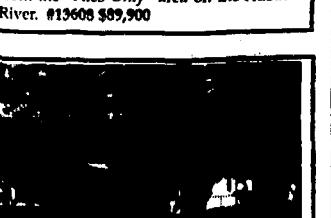
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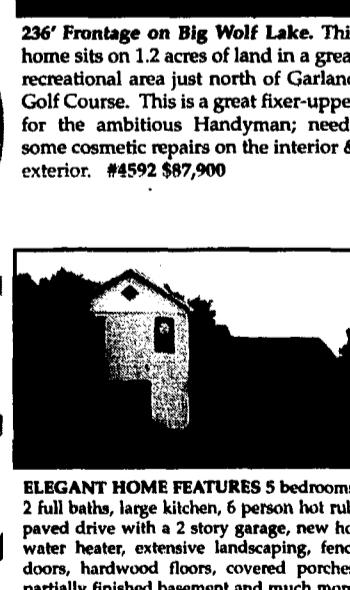
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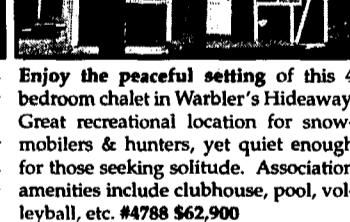
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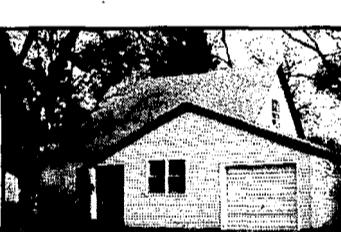
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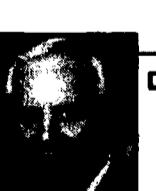
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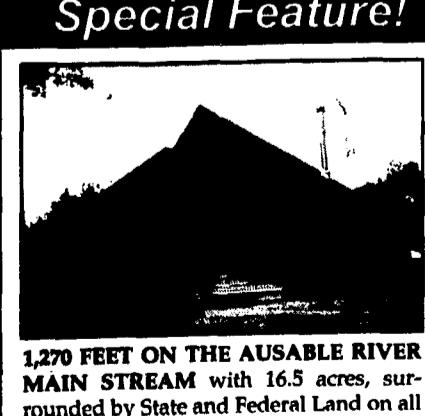
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8. Announcements**NOTICE**

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CITY OF GRAYLING IS PUTTING OUT FOR BID**1 O'Brien Water Jet for a minimum bid of \$1,500**

Sealed bids will be accepted the 28th of Nov. to the 5th of Dec., 3:30pm. The city has the right to reject any and all bids. Money to be received within 10 days.

Mail bids to: City of Grayling
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BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
Saturday, December 1 at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, on Michigan Ave. 8:30-11 a.m. Adults \$4, children \$2. Sponsored by Grayling Promotional Assoc. (-15-22-29/8)

GRAYLING HOLIDAY INN'S Speakeasy Saloon live entertainment. Wednesday thru Saturday bands playing. Nov. 28 - Dec. 1 Uncle Ugly, Dec. 5 - Dec. 8 Uncle Ugly, Dec. 19 - Dec. 22 Crowd Pleasers. (-29/6/8)

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I, ANTHONY M. KURTZNER, am no longer responsible for any debt or debts owed by LeMae Kurtzner. November 20, 2001. (-29/9)

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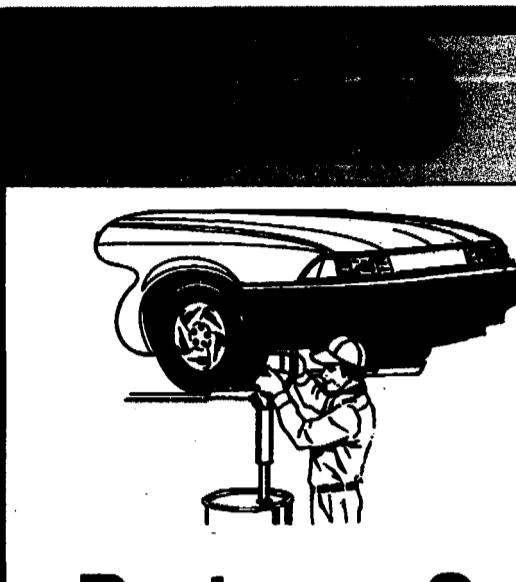
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Year 1988, Make Ford, Model E-150, Color Silver, VIN # 2FTEF14HXJCA53924.

For further information, please contact Deputy Baerlocher at the Crawford County Sheriff's Office, 200 West Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738. (989) 348-4616.

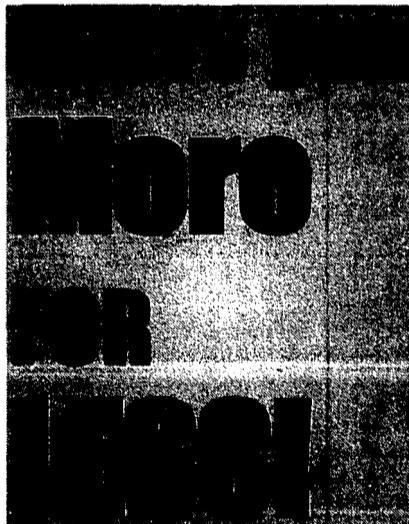
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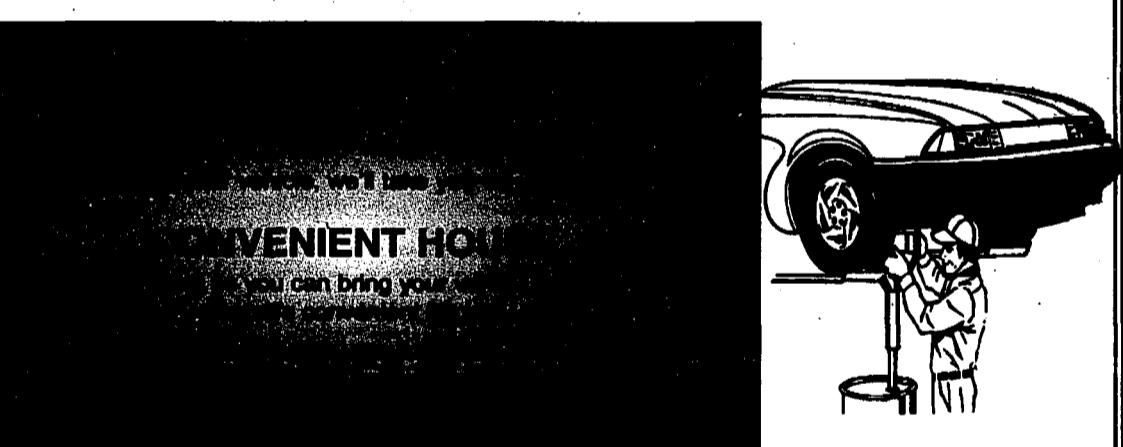
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